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Title of Invention: LONG TERM OXYGEN THYNAPY SYSTEM Inventors (please provide full names): DON TANAKA
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WPI Acc No: 2004-204668/200420

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Collateral ventilation bypass trap system for removing trapped air in emphysematous lungs, comprises at least one conduit having first end connected to containment vessel and second end passing through thoracic wall and lung of patient

Patent Assignee: CORDIS CORP (CRDC); TANAKA D (TANA-I)

Inventor: TANAKA D

Number of Countries: 033 Number of Patents: 003

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A61M-016/00 Provisional application US 2002406624 US 20040040555 A1

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Inventor: TANAKA D

Abstract (Basic):

system is used for removing trapped air in emphysematous lungs, for treating hypoxia caused by chronic obstructive pulmonary disease such as emphysema and chronic bronchitis...

... The system increases the expiratory flow from an individual suffering from chronic obstructive pulmonary disease... International Patent Class (Main): A61M-001/00 ...

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International Patent Class (Additional): A61M-016/10 ...

... A61M-016/20

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WPI Acc No: 2004-158623/200416

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Long-term oxygen therapy system for treating hypoxemic patients having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, includes oxygen supply, valve, conduit, and sealing device that provides fluid tight seal

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between conduit and thoracic wall

Patent Assignee: CORDIS CORP (CRDC); TANAKA D (TANA-I)

Inventor: TANAKA D

Number of Countries: 033 Number of Patents: 003

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Provisional application US 2002399907 A61M-029/00 US 20040024356 A1 Long-term oxygen therapy system for treating hypoxemic patients having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, includes oxygen supply, valve, conduit, and sealing device that provides fluid tight seal between...

Inventor: TANAKA D

Abstract (Basic):

A long-term oxygen therapy system (100) has an oxygen supply (102); valve (106); conduit(s) (104) having a first...

For the treatment of hypoxemic patients having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (claimed), e.g. emphysema or chronic bronchitis...

... The inventive long-term oxygen therapy system improves oxygen transfer efficiency in the lungs to reduce oxygen supply requirements, which in turn reduces the...

... The figure is a diagrammatic view of a long term oxygen therapy system of the invention...

therapy system (100... ...Long term oxygen International Patent Class (Main): A61M-016/00 ...

... A61M-029/00 ...

... A61M-037/00

International Patent Class (Additional): A61M-031/00

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Related WPI Acc No: 2001-183025; 2002-665488; 2002-731244; 2003-090179; 2003-090394; 2003-256991; 2003-877133; 2004-059032; 2004-081957;

2004-118964

XRAM Acc No: C03-173497 XRPX Acc No: N03-505055 Gaseous flow altering conduit for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease treatment, has cage structure having opening and cage passage way in fluid communication with passageway of center section

Patent Assignee: BIGGS M (BIGG-I); CHANDOS D (CHAN-I); COLLINSON M (COLL-I); COOPER J D (COOP-I); KAPLAN G (KAPL-I); KARABEY H (KARA-I); KEAST T (KEAS-I); LOOMAS B (LOOM-I); REDMOND R (REDM-I); ROSCHAK E (ROSC-I); SAENZ S (SAEN-I); TANAKA D (TANA-I); THOMPSON D (THOM-I); VIDAL C (VIDA-I)

Inventor: BIGGS M; CHANDOS D; COLLINSON M; COOPER J D; KAPLAN G; KARABEY H; KEAST T; LOOMAS B; REDMOND R; ROSCHAK E; SAENZ S; TANAKA D ; THOMPSON D;

Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001

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Gaseous flow altering conduit for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease treatment, has cage structure having opening and cage passage way in fluid communication with...

...Inventor: TANAKA D

Abstract (Basic):

... For altering gaseous flow within lung to improve expiration cycle of individual having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease including chronic bronchitis, emphysema and some types of asthma. Also used for delivering drugs...

International Patent Class (Main): A61M-016/00

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Related WPI Acc No: 2001-183025; 2002-665488; 2002-731244; 2003-090179; 2003-090394; 2003-635036; 2003-877133; 2004-059032; 2004-081957; 2004-118964

XRPX Acc No: N03-203827

Conduit for altering gaseous flow in lung of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease victim has cage structure adjacent conduit second end with opening and cage passageway in fluid communication with center section passageway

Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N)

Inventor: COLE C; ESTRIDGE T; KAPLAN G; LAUFER M D; LOOMAS B; REICH C J; ROSCHAK E; BIGGS M; CHANDOS D; COLLINSON M; COOPER J D; KARABEY H; KEAST T; REDMOND R; SAENZ S; TANAKA D ; THOMPSON D; VIDAL C

Number of Countries: 100 Number of Patents: 002

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2002387163 P 20020607; US 2001317338 P 20010904; US 2001947144 A 20010904; US 2001334642 P 20011129; US 2002367436 P 20020320; US 2002374022 P 20020419; US 2000176141 P 20000114; US 2000633651 A 20000807; US 2001908177 A 20010718; US 2002235240 A 20020904; US 2002420440 P 20021021; US 2003458085 A 20030609 Patent Details:

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Cont of application US 2000633651 CIP of application US 2001908177 CIP of application US 2001947144 Provisional application US 2002387163 CIP of application US 2002235240 Provisional application US 2002420440 Cont of patent US 6692494

Conduit for altering gaseous flow in lung of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease victim has cage structure adjacent conduit second end with opening and cage passageway in...

... Inventor: TANAKA D

Abstract (Basic):

... For chronic obstructive pulmonary disease victims...
...International Patent Class (Main): A61M-000/00

(Item 5 from file: 350) 5/3,K/5 DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2004 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. **Image available** 015029662 WPI Acc No: 2003-090179/200308 Related WPI Acc No: 2001-183025; 2002-665488; 2002-731244; 2003-248441; 2003-256991; 2003-635036; 2003-877133; 2004-081957; 2004-118964 XRAM Acc No: C03-022787 XRPX Acc No: N03-071185 Placing of conduit within lung tissue for treating patient having obstructive pulmonary disease, by feeding guide wire to site within lung, advancing conduit using guide wire and placing within lung tissue Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N) Inventor: COOPER J D; DAVENPORT J M; KAPLAN G; LOOMAS B; TANAKA D Number of Countries: 100 Number of Patents: 003 Patent Family: Week Date Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind 200308 US 20020111620 A1 20020815 US 2001269130 P 20010214 20010904 US 2001947144 Α WO 2002US4610 Α 20020214 200308 20020822 WO 200264190 A2 Α 20020214 200427 20020828 AU 2002248443 AU 2002248443 A1 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001269130 P 20010214; US 2001947144 A 20010904 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes Provisional application US 2001269130 US 20020111620 A1 57 A61B-018/18 A61M-000/00 WO 200264190 A2 E Designated States (National): AE AG AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY BZ CA CH CN CO CR CU CZ DE DK DM DZ EC EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX MZ NO NZ OM PH PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TN TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZM ZW Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW MZ NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TR TZ UG ZM ZW Based on patent WO 200264190 A61M-000/00 AU 2002248443 A1

Placing of conduit within lung tissue for treating patient having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, by feeding guide wire to site within lung, advancing conduit using guide wire and...

...Inventor: TANAKA D

Abstract (Basic):

for altering gaseous flow within a lung to improve the expiration cycle of patient having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease...

...International Patent Class (Main): A61M-000/00

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Related WPI Acc No: 2001-183025; 2002-665488; 2003-090179; 2003-090394; 2003-248441; 2003-256991; 2003-635036; 2003-877133; 2004-059032; 2004-081957; 2004-118964

XRPX Acc No: N02-576436

Tissue motion detection device for treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, has transducer assembly with lens located at distal end of assembly, and heating element located away from the lens

Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N)

Inventor: KEAST T; TANAKA D ; THOMPSON D

Number of Countries: 100 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 2001269130 P 20010214; US 2001946706 A 20010904

Patent Details:

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Tissue motion detection device for treatment of chronic pulmonary disease, has transducer assembly with lens located at distal end of assembly, and heating element...

...Inventor: TANAKA D

Abstract (Basic):

Tissue motion detection device for treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).

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WPI Acc No: 2002-665488/200271

Related WPI Acc No: 2001-183025; 2002-731244; 2003-090179; 2003-090394;

2003-248441; 2003-256991; 2003-635036; 2003-877133; 2004-059032;

2004-081957; 2004-118964

XRPX Acc No: N02-526464

Medical device for creating collateral channels in lung tissue, has heating element producing heat to create holes in tissue which is minimized radially by heating surface provided on front surface of heating element

Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N) Inventor: HAUGAARD D; KEAST T; ROSCHAK E; TANAKA D Number of Countries: 100 Number of Patents: 004 Patent Family:

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... Inventor: TANAKA D

Abstract (Basic):

altering gaseous flow within lungs to improve expiration cycle, for treatment of chronic pulmonary disease (COPD), chronic lobstructive lung disease (COLD), chronic airflow obstruction (CAO), chronic airflow limitation, using non-invasive imaging such as...

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2003-248441; 2003-256991; 2003-635036; 2003-877133; 2004-059032;

2004-081957; 2004-118964 XRPX Acc No: N01-130611 Gaseous flow altering device has probe to create collateral channel in lung and puncture airway wall in lung, with gas delivery member transferring gas to air sac of lung, and expandable member to occlude airway while probe extends through

Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N); COOPER J D (COOP-I); FRENCH G E (FREN-I); HAUGAARD D (HAUG-I); KAPLAN G (KAPL-I); LAUFER M D (LAUF-I); LOOMAS B (LOOM-I); ROSCHAK E (ROSC-I); TANAKA D (TANA-I); THOMPSON D (THOM-I); KEAST T (KEAS-I); ROSS J A (ROSS-I)

Inventor: COOPER J D; DAVENPORT J M; LAUFER M D; LOOMAS B; TANAKA D ;
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Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. (c) 2004 013531335 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2001-015541/200102 Related WPI Acc No: 1998-557204; 1999-419226; 1999-457984; 2001-159342; 2001-243621; 2001-564303 XRPX Acc No: N01-011823 Bronchial tube wall treating apparatus for asthma treatment, has electrodes connected to elongated shaft, and tube which is energized by micro waves Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N) Inventor: BURGER K M; LAUFER M D; LOOMAS B E; TANAKA D A Number of Countries: 090 Number of Patents: 005 Patent Family: Date Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind 20000301 200102 20000908 WO 2000US5412 Α WO 200051510 Α1 20000301 200102 A AU 200033903 AU 200033903 20000921 Α Α 19970407 200154 US 97833550 US 6283988 20010904 В1 Α 19980107 US 983750 Α 19990301 US 99260401 20000301 200209 EP 2000912121 Α EP 1164958 Α1 20020102 WO 2000US5412 Α 20000301 20021112 JP 2000601983 Α 20000301 200275 JP 2002537889 W WO 2000US5412 Α 20000301 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 99260401 A 19990301; US 97833550 A 19970407; US 983750 A 19980107 Patent Details: Main IPC Filing Notes Patent No Kind Lan Pg WO 200051510 A1 E 28 A61B-018/14 Designated States (National): AE AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH CN CR CU CZ DE DK DM EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZW Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TZ UG ZW A61B-018/14 Based on patent WO 200051510 AU 200033903 A CIP of application US 97833550 A61F-002/00 В1 US 6283988 CIP of application US 983750 CIP of patent US 5972026 Based on patent WO 200051510 A61B-018/14 A1 E EP 1164958 Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI Based on patent WO 200051510 JP 2002537889 W 33 A61M-029/02 ...Inventor: TANAKA D A Abstract (Basic): For treatment of airway obstruction found in chronic pulmonary diseases like cystic fibrosis, chronic bronchitis, emphysema, asthma... ...International Patent Class (Main): A61M-029/02

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Bronchial tube treatment apparatus

Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N)

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...Inventor: TANAKA D A

Abstract (Basic):

... The apparatus treats collapsed bronchial tubes found in patients with **chronic obstructive pulmonary** disease. The apparatus, which has a balloon (12,100) at a distal end of an...

... The apparatus is used for treatment of the airway obstruction found in chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases...

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Bronchial stenter for heat treating collapsed bronchial tubes in patients

with chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases (COPD)

Patent Assignee: BRONCUS TECHNOLOGIES INC (BRON-N)

Inventor: BURGER K M; LAUFER M D; LOOMAS B E; TANAKA D A

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Bronchial stenter for heat treating collapsed bronchial tubes in patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases (COPD) ...Inventor: TANAKA D A

Abstract (Basic):

... Treatment of collapsed bronchial tubes in patients with **chronic obstructive pulmonary** diseases (**COPD**), e.g. cystic fibrosis,

chronic bronchitis, emphysema and asthma. To modify lung structure

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Methods and devices for creating collateral channels in the lungs
Verfahren und Vorrichtungen zur Herstellung von kollateralen Kanalen in den
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Methods and devices for creating collateral channels in the lungs
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METHODS AND DEVICES FOR CREATING COLLATERAL CHANNELS IN THE LUNGS VERFAHREN UND VORRICHTUNGEN ZUR HERSTELLUNG VON KOLLATERALEN KANALEN IN DEN LUNGEN

PROCEDES ET DISPOSITIFS PERMETTANT DE CREER DES CANAUX COLLATERAUX DANS LES **POUMONS**

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CONDUITS HAVING DISTAL CAGE STRUCTURE FOR MAINTAINING COLLATERAL CHANNELS IN TISSUE AND RELATED METHODS

CONDUITS A STRUCTURE DE CAGE DISTALE POUR LE MAINTIEN DE CANAUX COLLATERAUX DANS DES TISSUS ET PROCEDES ASSOCIES

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Is screening for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease justified?

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BACKGROUND: Many experts recommend spirometry to screen for chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) in asymptomatic patients; however, evidence for this recommendation has not been systematically reviewed. METHODS: We...

... search of the CITATION index, to locate randomized trials of interventions for asymptomatic patients with COPD . In regard to smoking cessation, we included all controlled trials of smoking cessation programs that...

... versus those who did not. RESULTS: With the exception of smoking cessation, all interventions for COPD have only been proven effective in symptomatic patients. Two studies found that multifaceted smoking cessation

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BACKGROUND: The value of the history and physical examination in diagnosing chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) is uncertain. This study was undertaken to determine the best clinical predictors of COPD and to define the incremental changes in the ability

to diagnose COPD that occur when the physical examination findings and then the peak flowmeter results are added...

- ... SUBJECTS AND METHODS: Ninety-two outpatients with a self-reported history of cigarette smoking or COPD completed a pulmonary history questionnaire and received peak flow and spirometric testing. The subjects were...
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- ... a FEV1/FVC (forced vital capacity) less than 60%. RESULTS: Fifteen subjects (16%) had moderate COPD. Two historical variables from the questionnaire--previous diagnosis of COPD and smoking (70 or more pack-years)--significantly entered a logistic regression model that diagnosed COPD with a sensitivity of 40% and a specificity of 100%. Only the physical sign of...
- ... Subjects with none of the three historical and physical variables had a 3% prevalence of COPD; this prevalence was unchanged by adding the peak flow results. CONCLUSIONS: Diminished breath sounds were the best predictor of moderate COPD. A sequential increase in sensitivity and a minimal decrease in specificity occurred when the quality...
- ... added first to the medical history, followed by the peak flow result. The chance of COPD was very unlikely with a normal history and physical examination.

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Methods and devices for creating collateral channels in the lungs

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...ABSTRACT: flow within a lung to improve the expiration cycle of, for instance, an individual having Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease. More particularly, these devices and methods produce and to maintain collateral openings or channels...

DESCRIPTORS:

DISEASES: chronic obstructive pulmonary disease...

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Devices for creating collateral in the lungs

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Method of treating a bronchial tube with a bronchial stenter having diametrically adjustable electrodes

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...AUTHOR: Tanaka Donald A

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Bronchial stenter having expandable electrodes

AUTHOR: Laufer Michael D; Burger Keith M (Reprint); Loomas Bryan E; Tanaka

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ABSTRACT: An apparatus and method are provided for treating collapsed bronchial tubes found in patients with **chronic obstructive pulmonary** diseases, such as asthma. The apparatus delivers energy to inductively heat the tissue of the...

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Bronchial stenter having diametrically adjustable electrodes

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Title: THE COMPARATIVE VALUE OF THE HISTORY, PHYSICAL AND PEAK FLOW METER PULMONARY -DISEASE

AT PREDICTING CHRONIC OBSTRUCTIVE

Author(s): BADGETT RG; TANAKA DJ ; PETTY TL

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The clinical evaluation for diagnosing obstructive airways disease in high-risk patients

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The clinical evaluation for diagnosing obstructive airways disease in high-risk patients.

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... half of those referred for spirometry would have abnormal results. (Chest 1994; 106:1427-31)

COPD = chronic obstructive pulmonary disease; FET=forced expiratory time; [FEV.sub.1]=forced expiratory volume in 1 s; FVC...

...airways disease; peak flowmeter; physical diagnosis; recursive partitioning; screening; spirometry

Obstructive airways disease (OAD), including chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) and asthma, are common and morbid illnesses. COPD is the fifth most common cause of death and the second leading cause of disability in the United States.(1)(2) However, only 19 percent of patients with COPD in the Rand Health Insurance Study had had their conditions previously diagnosed by a physician...RG, Tanaka DJ, Hunt DK, Jelley MJ, Feinberg LE, Steiner JF, et al. Can moderate chronic obstructive pulmonary disease be diagnosed by historical and physical findings alone? Am J Med 1993; 94:188...

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Long-term oxygen therapy system for treating hypoxemic patients having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, includes oxygen supply, valve, conduit, and sealing device that provides fluid tight seal between conduit and thoracic wall

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Long-term oxygen therapy system for treating hypoxemic patients having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, includes oxygen supply, valve, conduit, and sealing device that provides fluid tight seal between conduit and thoracic wall

Abstract (Basic):

- ... A long-term oxygen therapy system (100) has an oxygen supply (102); valve (106); conduit (s) (104) having a first end connected to the oxygen supply and a second end passing through the thoracic wall and lung (108) of a patient to establish fluid communication between the oxygen supply and the inner volume of the lung; and a sealing device connected to the conduit (s) and providing a fluid tight seal between the conduit (s) and the thoracic wall.
- For the treatment of hypoxemic patients having chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (claimed), e.g. emphysema or chronic bronchitis...
- ...The inventive long-term oxygen therapy system improves oxygen transfer efficiency in the lungs to reduce oxygen supply requirements, which in turn reduces the patient's medical costs. It also allows for...
- ...The figure is a diagrammatic view of a long term **oxygen** therapy system of the invention...
- ...Long term oxygen therapy system (100...

APPLICATION

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... Oxygen supply (102...
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^{...} Conduit (104 ...Title Terms: OXYGEN;

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Catheter for transtracheal indwelling oxygen supplementing - has constant dia. bore, reinforcement and forwardly and downwardly directed outlets

Patent Assignee: SPOFFORD B T (SPOF-I); TP INT CORP (TPIT-N)

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Catheter for transtracheal indwelling oxygen supplementing -

- ...Abstract (Basic): Catheter for patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease comprises a flexible tube with durometer hardness of 80-90 to have its distal end within the tracea above the carina. The tube has a smooth cylindrical outer surface and constant i.d. of 1.7-2.5...
- ... The tube has reinforcement to maintain constant lumen cross-section and has a hydrophilic coating on at...
- ...distal end internal and external surfaces to limit adhesion and build-up of mucous. The **tube** has a distal end downwardly facing outlet opening of the same dia. as the **tube** bore, and further openings through the sidewall above the end opening and directing **oxygen** towards the anterior part of the trachea only...
- ...ADVANTAGE Limits rearward flow of **oxygen** to prevent mucosal damage. (54pp Wg.No.0/22)
- ...Abstract (Equivalent): A system for providing a continuous supplementary supply of oxygen, so as to enhance spontaneous breathing of a patient having chronic hypoxaemia, comprising an elongated transtracheal catheter (T,C) in the form of a tube (10)

having an external portion (58,68) with an **oxygen** inlet at is free end, a **subcutaneous** portion (54) having **oxygen** outlet means (12,78) in a distal end portion (70) thereof, for insertion through an incision into the patient's trachea, and a locating abutment (18) fixed externally...

- ...external abutment on the patient's skin at the incision, characterised in that: (a) the tube (10) is a continuous, flexible, deformation-resistant tube of constant diameter having a continuous lumen (60,76) of constant diameter therethrough; (b) the oxygen inlet is a coupling (24) for releasable connection to a tube (26) for the said supply of oxygen at low pressure and at a relatively low flow rate; (c) the coupling (24) is spaced away from the abutment (18) by a substantial length of the tube (10), so that it can be seen and manipulated by the patient when the catheter is being worn; and (d) the subcutaneous portion (54) includes an intermediate portion extending from the abutment (18) to its distal end...
- ...a curved shape in an upper part of the trachea while permitting free flow of **oxygen** between the inlet (24) and outlet means (12,78). (23pp)
- ...Abstract (Equivalent): Appts. supplying oxygen to supplement ventilation without interfering with normal breathing comprises a transtracheal catheter with a flexible tube having a proximal end oxygen supply connector (24) and an i.d. of 1.7-2.5 mm. and o.d. less than that of the trachea. Tube length is sufficient to extend from outside the patient to above and adjacent to the carina. The tube has a distal outlet (80) and a wall for flexible introduction while resisting deformation. The tube wall pref. has a Shore A durometer value of 80-90 and a hydrophilic coating...

...USE/ADVANTAGE - Esp. used in **chronic obstructive pulmonary** disease and may be installed on a semi-permanent out-patient basis for efficient long-term **oxygen therapy** . (Dwg.1/22)

Title Terms: CATHETER;

International Patent Class (Main): A61M-016/00

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This invention pertains to a system for supplemental transtracheal therapy including transtracheal catheter devices for providing transtracheal, oxygen delivery for spontaneously breathing patients with chronic lung disease and to methods for catheter placement and use. Such devices are medically desirable therapy for patients having a chronic need for oxygen where a catheter can be installed on an out-patient basis for permanent use.

As a result of...

...the 1960's and early 1970's, it has been determined that long-term continuous oxygen therapy is beneficial in the treatment of hypoxemic patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD

). In other words, a patient's life and quality of life can be improved by providing a constant supplemental supply of oxygen to the patient's lungs.

However, with the current desire to contain medical costs, there is a growing concern that the additional cost of providing continuous oxygen therapy for chronic lung disease will create an excessive increase in the annual cost of oxygen therapy . Thus, it now desirable that therapy , when provided, be as cost effective as possible.

The standard treatment for patients requiring supplemental is still to deliver oxygen from an oxygen source by means of a nasal cannula . Such treatment, however, requires a large amount of oxygen , which is wasteful and can cause soreness and irritation to the nose, as well as...

... Various other medical approaches which have been proposed to help reduce the cost of continuous oxygen therapy have been studied.

Various devices and methods have been devised for performing emergency cricothyroidotomies and for providing a tracheotomy tube so that a patient whose airway is otherwise blocked may continue to breath. Such devices...

...for the long term treatment of chronic lung disease. Typically, such devices are installed by puncturing the skin to create a hole into the cricoid membrane of the larynx above the trachea into which a relatively large curved tracheotomy tube is inserted. As previously described, the use of such tubes has been restricted medically to emergency situations where the patient would otherwise suffocate due to the blockage of the airway. Such emergency tracheotomy tubes are not suitable for long term therapy after the airway blockage is removed.

Other devices which have been found satisfactory for emergency...

...Weiss, et al.; and U.S. Patent No. 3,916,903 to Pozzi.

Although tracheotomy tubes are satisfactory for their intended purpose, they are not intended for chronic usage by outpatients as a means for delivering supplemental oxygen to spontaneously breathing patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). Such tracheotomy tubes are generally designed so as to provide the total air supply to the patient for a relatively short period of time. The tracheotomy tubes are generally of rigid or semi-rigid construction and of caliber ranging from 2.5 mm outside diameter in infants to 15 mm outside diameter in adults. They are normally inserted in an operating room as a surgical procedure or during emergency situations, through the crico-thyroid membrane where the tissue is less vascular...

...both directions until normal breathing has been restored by other means.

Another type of tracheotomy tube is disclosed in Jacobs, U.S. Patent No. 3,682,166 and U.S. Patent No. 3,788,,326. The catheter described therein is placed over 14 or 16 gauge needle and inserted through the crico-thyroid membrane for supplying air or oxygen and vacuum on an emergency basis to restore the breathing of a con-breathing patient. The air or oxygen is supplied at 30 to 100 psi for inflation and deflation of the patient's lungs. The Jacobs catheter , like the other tracheotomy tubes previously used, is not suitable for long term outpatient use, and could not easily be adapted to such use.

Due to the limited functionality of tracheotomy tubes , transtracheal catheters have been proposed and used for long term supplemental therapy . For example the small diameter transtracheal catheter (16 gauge) developed by Dr. Henry J. Heimlich (described in THE ANNALS OF OTOLOGY, RHINOLOGY & LARYNGOLOGY, Nov.-Dec. 1982;

Respiratory Rehabilitation with **Transtracheal Oxygen System**) has been used by the **insertion** of a relatively large cutting needle (14 gauge) into the trachea at the mid-point between the crico-thyroid membrane and the sternal notch. This **catheter** size can supply **oxygen** up to about 3 liters per minute at low pressures, such as 2 psi which...

- ...use and maintenance, such as periodic removal and cleaning, primarily because the connector between the **catheter** and the **oxygen** supply **hose** is adjacent and against the anterior portion of the trachea and cannot be easily seen and manipulated by the patient. Furthermore, the **catheter** is not provided with positive means to protect against kinking or collapsing which would prevent...home care use. Also, because of its structure, i.e. only one exit opening, the **oxygen** from the **catheter** is directed straight down the trachea toward the bifrucation between the bronchi. Because of the...
- ...at a more acute angle to the trachea than the right bronchus, more of the **oxygen** from that **catheter** tends to be directed into the right bronchus rather an being directed or mixed for more equal utilization by both bronchi. Also, as structured, the **oxygen** can strike the carina, resulting in an undesirable tickling sensation and cough. In addition, in such devices, if a substantial portion of the **oxygen** is directed against the back wall of the trachea causing erosion of the mucosa in...
- ...cause of the limited output from the device, it may not operate to supply sufficient **supplemental oxygen** when the patient is exercising or otherwise quite active or has severe disease.

 Thus, none...
- ...long term basis.

It is therefore an objective of the present invention to provide a transtracheal catheter system which will provide for efficient long term oxygen therapy, particularly for active patients.

We acknowledge the earlier disclosure, in W086/03127, by the present inventors, of a transtracheal catheter system having oxygen supply means for continuously supplying oxygen to a patient to supplement normal spontaneous atmospheric breathing; flexible oxygen supply tube means for supplying oxygen from said oxygen supply means to the patient; a continuous one-piece constant diameter flexible elongated intratracheal tube means connected to said oxygen supply tube means and having a continuous constant diameter passage, a straight distal side wall portion and an unrestricted distal end outlet opening, said intratracheal tube means having an outside diameter so as to be substantially less in area than the...

...enabling normal breathing and having an inside diameter such as to enable free flow of **oxygen** therethrough from said inlet opening to said outlet opening;

said outlet opening on said distal end portion of said intratracheal tube means having an inclined end surface, and defining a longitudinally extending slot means in said...

...only the front of the trachea of the patient for enabling only forward flow of oxygen without rearward flow toward the rear trachea surface; and a support and locating means mounted on an exterior proximate end portion of said intratracheal tube means for supporting said intratracheal tube means at an operative position; said support and locating means being mounted for abutting association with the skin of the patient circumjacent said intratracheal tube means; and an external oxygen supply tube means connected to the proximate end portion of said intratracheal tube means for supplying oxygen

from said oxygen supply means.

The present invention provides an apparatus for supplying supplemental oxygen to a patient as defined in Claims 1 and 9. The oxygen is preferably from a portable supply of oxygen which is capable of being carried by such patient, and which oxygen is capable of being introduced uniformly into both of the lungs of such patient on a continuous long term daily basis by conduction of supplemental oxygen into the cervical trachea (below the cricoid and above the sternal notch) through the transtracheal tube.

In one form of the invention, the transtracheal tube means unit comprises one continuous length of tubing, and in another presently preferred form comprises a separate intratracheal catheter member and a separate external oxygen supply tube member. In the preferred embodiment, the intratracheal catheter apparatus comprises an elongated flexible tube means having a durometer of from about 70 to about 90 Shore A and a...

- ...end portion outwardly of the neck for attachment of the proximate end portion to a **tube** connected to a portable supply of **oxygen** carried by the person; the **intratracheal tube** means having a lumen having a continuous smooth cylindrical outer peripheral surface and a continuous
- ...polymeric material having an inside diameter of between 1.7 and 3.0 millimeters; and oxygen outlet opening means at the distal end portion of the tubular means including a downwardly and anteriorly facing oval end opening, when said tube means is in place in the trachea, formed by a beveled end surface. The distal end portion of said tube means may also additionally contain a plurality of side wall openings located in predetermined spaced...
- ...said sidewall and facing generally forwardly toward the anterior portion of the trachea for supplying oxygen only in a forwardly facing direction whereby rearward flow of oxygen toward the posterior portion of the trachea is limited to prevent erosion. The tube means may additionally contain reinforcement means mounted completely within said sidewall between said outer peripheral...
- ...end portion and said sidewall openings for maintaining a constant lumen cross-section in said tube means by resisting restriction of said central passage means in order to maintain said continuous constant diameter of said central passage means during oxygen therapy use. In the presently preferred form of the invention, the reinforcement means is located in the external oxygen supply tube member. The tube means may also be provided with hydrophilic ...of mucous-type materials present in the trachea which would otherwise restrict the flow of oxygen through said tube means. Thus the intratracheal catheter, as previously described, comprises a thin, flexible, kink and collapse resistant, tracheal tube means having a proximate end and a distal end which is fixedly attached to a flanged support means engageable with the patient neck and connected to an external oxygen supply tube means which may be an exterior portion of one continuous length of tubing or a separate outwardly extending tube member. A releasable connector means is attached to the outwardly extending proximate end of the external tube portion a sufficient distance so as to be capable of being viewed by the patient, so that the patient is better able to connect the external tube portion to a source of oxygen and to facilitate cleaning the catheter on an out-patient basis.

A method of inserting a transtracheal catheter in the trachea

of a patient comprises, under local anaesthesia, the steps of infiltrating the...

- ...the anaesthetised tissue into the trachea; injecting local anaesthetic into the trachea through the needle; inserting a guide wire through the needle; removing the needle over the guide wire; inserting a tissue dilator over the guide wire to enlarge the tract; removing the dilator; inserting a Stent over the guide wire and through the enlarged tract; removing the guide wire; securing the Stent by appropriate means, in place for a first period of time while initial healing of...
- ...sterno rather than accumulating under the skin with the adherent risk of injury; removing the Stent; inserting a first catheter in the tract, which may be used on a temporary or longer-term basis, and securing the first catheter in place until the tract completely heals. Then, the first catheter may be removed and a second catheter may be inserted. This unique method allows the use of a small needle for the insertion of a catheter which is larger than the needle, but still capable of providing sufficient supplemental oxygen for oxygen therapy with active patients and not so large as to require a major surgical operation to insert. The first catheter is designed to enable cleaning in place by a cleaning rod with saline solution. The second catheter is designed to enable cleaning by removal by the patient.

 The preferred apparatus for carrying out the foregoing procedure to create the tract can be provided in the form of a first kit. The...
- ...use with a syringe for injecting an anesthetic into the trachea after the needle is **inserted** through the trachea to form the tract. The first kit also includes a guide wire for **insertion** through the needle to maintain the tract after the needle is removed. A dilator is...
- ...to gradually stretch the tissue to increase the diameter of the tract or opening. A **Stent**, having a central passageway is also provided in the kit and is **inserted** in the dilated tract after the dilator is removed in order to maintain the size...
- ...opening to facilitate initial healing of the tract. The guide wire is then removed. The **Stent** is held in position during healing by suturing.

A second kit or package includes the first catheter which has a single opening at a beveled distal end and replaces the Stent . The beveled end on the first catheter is longer on the posterior side so that the oxygen stream is directed away from the mucosa and toward the center of the trachea. This first catheter remains in place until the healing is complete and can be connected to a supply of oxygen during this period. A cleaning rod is also included in the second kit which is used periodically to clean out mucous which may form in the distal end of the catheter . To facilitate disconnecting and reconnecting the oxygen supply and the cleaning of the catheter , the proximate end of the catheter extends a sufficient distance outwardly from the surface of the tissue and the catheter holder so that the patient can see the connector thereon over his chin. Finally, a third kit or package includes a removable, second catheter which has similar dimensions as the first catheter and replaces the first catheter at the end of the tract healing period. The second catheter has a tapered distal end like the temporary catheter and also has a series of spaced openings in the anterior side wall thereof to facilitate mixing of the oxygen supplied through the tube with the air inhaled by the patient. These openings are spaced about an arc which...

...not exceed 60(sup(o) from the mid-line on the anterior side of the tube .

The kits which have been described, together with the unique first and second catheters, provide the means for installing the catheters by a unique method. The catheters are suitable for out-patient use over extended periods of time by patients suffering from lung diseases causing hypoxia. The catheters can be cleaned by the patients, the second catheter being removable by the patient for cleaning and reinsertion. Because of the external extension of the proximate end of the tube beyond the connecting flange of the disclosed fastening means, the patient can see the connector and easily manipulate it to connect and disconnect the oxygen and instill drugs or other ...taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings.

Fig. 1 is a perspective view showing the transtracheal catheter of this invention mounted through the skin and into the trachea of a patient and showing the oxygen supply connecting tube secured to the patient's wearing apparel between the connection to the transtracheal catheter and the connector to a supply of oxygen;

catheter and the connector to a supply of oxygen;
 Fig. 2 is a diagrammatical illustration of the infiltration of a
local anesthetic into the...

...means of a needle on a syringe;

Fig. 3 is a diagrammatical illustration of the insertion of a quide wire through the needle after the syringe is removed;

Fig. 4 is a diagrammatical illustration of the insertion of a tissue dilator over the guide wire after the needle is removed;

Fig. 5 is a diagrammatical illustration of the **insertion** of the **Stent** after the dilator and the guide wire have been removed;

Fig. 6 is a diagrammatical illustration of the insertion of a first transtracheal catheter after removal of the Stent;

Fig. 7 is a diagrammatical illustration of the insertion of a second catheter, after removal of the first catheter;

Fig. 8 is a diagrammatic view of the trachea with a flush-mounted prior art catheter showing the orientation of the catheter and the flow of oxygen to the patient from the catheter;

Fig. 9 is a diagrammatic view of the trachea, similar to Fig. 8, but showing the thorough mixing of oxygen and air by means of the catheter of this invention;

Fig. 10 is a side elevation of guide wire which forms a...

...which forms a part of the first kit of this invention, for use in the method of implanting the transtracheal catheter of this invention;

Fig. 12 is an end view of the distal end of the dilator of Fig. 11;

Fig. 13 is a side elevation of a **Stent** which forms a part of the first kit of this invention;

Fig. 14 is a...

...a second kit of this invention;

Fig. 15 is a side elevation of a first **catheter** which forms a part of the second kit of this invention;

Fig. 16 is a side elevation of a removable, second catheter which forms a part of this invention;

Fig. 17 is an enlarged vertical section, taken...

...section, taken along line 19-19 of Fig. 16 showing an attachment means for the transtracheal catheter;

Fig. 20 is a graph comparing **oxygen therapy** by an analysis of blood **oxygen** during exercise of the **catheter** of the present invention

compared to other therapies;

Fig. 21 is a perspective view of a presently preferred embodiment of the **system**, including a **transtracheal** unit and an **oxygen** supply **hose** unit in use with a patient;

Fig. 22 is a longitudinal cross-sectional view of the transtracheal unit shown in Fig. 1 prior to insertion into the trachea;

Fig. 23 is a transverse cross-sectional view of the transtracheal unit of Fig. 22 taken along line 23-23;

Fig. 24 is an enlarged longitudinal cross-sectional view of the external reinforced tube member of the transtracheal unit of Fig. 22;

Fig. 25 is a side elevational view partly in cross-section of a Stent;

Fig. 26 is an end view of the Stent of Fig. 25;

Fig. 27 is a longitudinal cross-sectional view of the connector member of the transtracheal unit of Fig. 22;

Fig. 28 is an end view of the connector member of Fig. 27;

Fig. 29 is a longitudinal side elevational view of the **oxygen** tank connector member for the **oxygen** supply **hose** unit shown in Fig. 1;

Fig. 30 is a longitudinal cross-sectional view of the connection member of Fig. 29;

Fig. 31 is a side elevational view of the transtracheal unit connector member for the oxygen supply hose unit of Fig. 1; and Figs. 32 & 33 show a cleaning rod.

As best seen in Fig. 1, a patient P has been fitted with a transtracheal catheter C. In one form of the invention, the catheter includes a flexible tube 10 having a beveled distal end opening and may have a plurality of side wall...

- ...the distal end thereof which have a specific orientation to facilitate the mixing of the **oxygen** with the air being breathed by the patient, as more fully explained hereinafter. The distal...
- ...a tract in the trachea 14, is positioned above the carina 15 to supply the oxygen to the right and left bronchus 16 and 17. The catheter is inserted into the cervical trachea, in a manner more fully described hereinafter. After insertion, attachment means 18 is used to secure the catheter C to the patient's neck by means of a chain 20 extending around the patient's neck.

The proximate end of catheter C extends away from the patient's body and has a connector 24 attached to tube 10 through which oxygen is supplied to the patient. As is readily apparent, the extension provided, makes it possible...

...patient to see connector 24 over his chin so as to connect and disconnect the oxygen supply tube and to even remove the catheter, as an outpatient, at home, for cleaning and then replace it and reconnect the oxygen supply. The source of oxygen can be from any source of oxygen such as pressurized oxygen tanks, liquid oxygen reservoirs or oxygen concentrators, with some variation in the prescribed flow rates.

As shown in Fig. 1, an intermediate reinforced tube 26 is provided which is connected between connector 24 through clip 30 which in shown...

- ...30 can be attached directly to the patient's wearing apparel instead of using a supplemental belt. The connector 34 is then connected to tube 36 to oxygen supply 38. The purpose of this structure is to assure that as the patient moves...
- ...patient will not move to the limit of the tubing and place a stress on

catheter C which could pull the catheter out of the trachea and perhaps cause injury or discomfort to the patient. With the intermediate tubing arrangement as shown, any tension would be placed on tube 36 and not on tube 26. In addition, the connector 24 is designed to disengage this also when subjected to a 4.5-13.2 N (1 - 3 pound) pull.

The catheter system of the present invention may include two catheters. The first is sometimes referred to herein as a temporary catheter which is used for a limited period of time while the tract or fistula formed through the trachea heals. The second catheter is sometimes referred to as the final catheter which is capable of being used by the patient on a long term basis but...

- ...home, for cleaning on a periodic basis. However, it will be understood that the first catheter may also be used on a long-term basis without use of the second catheter. The differences in these catheters will be more fully explained hereinafter. Both catheters are made of the same material and, with some differences, have the same dimensions. In this regard, for an adult patient, the catheter will have a length of approximately 20 cm and be made of polyurethane having a...
- ...breathing of the patient. The attachment means 18 is located near the midpoint of the **tube** after placement and is approximately 7 to 11 cm (preferably 9 cm) from connector 24 on the proximate end of the **tube** and approximately 9 to 13 cm (preferably 11 cm) from the distal end of the **tube** when in place in the trachea. For an adult, the preferred diameter is an 8 or 9 French **catheter**. In some instances, it is contemplated that the outside diameter might be as small as...
- ...Of course, the length would be correspondingly shorter to prevent the problems previously discussed.

The method of inserting transtracheal catheter C is best illustrated in Figs. 2-7. Conveniently, the method can be carried out by using apparatus contained in three kits. The first kit contains a hypodermic needle, a guide wire, a dilator and a Stent. The second kit contains the temporary catheter and a cleaning rod. A final catheter and a cleaning rod are contained in the third hit. In Fig. 2, a local...

- ...of the needle, the possibility of hemorrhaging is greatly reduced even though the tissue being **penetrated** is vascular. A 32 cm straight guide wire 42 is passed through the 18 gauge...
- ...the trachea as seen in Fig. 3. The bevel on the needle and angle of insertion are exploited to direct the guide wire downwardly into the trachea. Conveniently, indicia, such as...
- ...designed not to scratch or otherwise injure the mucosa or trachea when the wire is **inserted**. This atraumatic end is preferably about 5 cm long. The wire includes a central longitudinal...
- ...at about 11 cm from the atraumatic end to advise the physician on depth of insertion .

Next, preferably a 10 French by 15 cm long Teflon dilator D, found in the...

...small tract or fistula created by the hypodermic needle 40 is generally enlarged by the insertion of the taper of distal end 45 of the dilator into the tract. As the dilator is inserted no further than mark 48, see Fig. 11, the tract is stretched without cutting until it is enlarged sufficiently to receive the Stent. The tapered ...the tissue.

Next the dilator is removed with the wire remaining in place and the

Stent S is passed through the tract into the trachea over the wire, as best seen in Fig. 5. The structure of **Stent** S is illustrated in Figs. 13.

The flange serves to stabilize the **Stent** by sutures placed through its eyelets and adapts to conventional Luer taper connectors for installation of lidocaine to suppress coughing. The **Stent** has a body 51 which is made of sufficiently rigid material to hold the tract which has been formed in the trachea open. This **Stent** body 51 has, preferably, a 9 French diameter and is preferably about 11 cm long...

...the distal tapered end 52 to the proximal end 50. The tapered end 52 facilitates insertion of Stent S through the tract in the trachea. A passageway 53 extends through the Stent to allow air to pass out without going under the skin to minimize the danger of the patient experiencing subcutaneous emphysema, during the process.

After typically one week, or longer if indicated, **Stent** S is removed by the physician and a temporary **catheter** T is **in**serted, as shown in Fig. 6. One form of structure of this **catheter** is best seen by reference to Fig. 16. The temporary **catheter** is longer than the **Stent**, being about 20 cm in length. In fact, the length of the distal end 54 temporary **catheter** T which rests inside the trachea is approximately 11 cm long, which is the same length as the distal end of the **Stent**. The temporary **catheter** has a connector 56 at the proximate end 58 thereof for attachment to an **oxygen** supply. The extra length provided by proximate end 58 makes it possible for the patient to see connector 56 so that he can easily connect or disconnect the **oxygen** supply and can clean the **catheter**, as described below. This form of the **catheter** also has a longitudinal passageway 60 extending its entire length and may be provided with...

- ...within the tubular material that forms proximate end 58 and distal end 54 of temporary catheter T. The purpose of this armoring is to reduce the possibility of the catheter collapsing, or kinking from any manipulation done by the patient to thereby help assure a constant supply of oxygen to the patient by keeping a constant cross-sectional area in the catheter lumen. This is important since this device will be used by an outpatient who will...
- ...portion 54 has a taper 62 which is longer on the posterior side to facilitate insertion and also to deflect the oxygen introduced through the catheter away from the mucosa at the back of the throat and to direct the oxygen downwardly and slightly forwardly. After proper positioning the temporary catheter T is connected to a source of oxygen. The oxygen flow is then adjusted to achieve a blood oxygen saturation of at least 90% by ear oximetry or arterial blood gas analysis.

Since oxygen is now being supplied to the patient through temporary catheter T, it is necessary to keep passageway or lumen 60 open. This is accomplished by...

- ...the shaft 64. Shaft 64 is slightly longer than the total length of the temporary catheter T. To clean out the catheter, the oxygen is disconnected and a saline solution is instilled through the passage, and then shaft 64 of cleaning rod R is inserted through connector 56 and along passageway 60. Because of the sizing, the length of shaft...
- ... After cleaning, the cleaning rod R is removed and the connector 56 is reconnected to **oxygen** supply.

The temporary catheter is preferably kept in place for six weeks or longer so that the tract or...

...the trachea can heal completely. After complete healing has occurred, the physician removes the temporary catheter T and provides the patient with a final catheter C which is inserted and positioned as shown in Fig. 7. This catheter is similar to the temporary catheter T with certain differences, as enumerated below.

The structure of one embodiment of the final transtracheal catheter C, which is a part of the third kit, is shown in Figs. 16-19. The upper or proximate portion 68 of the catheter tube 10, as well as the lower portion 70, is also reinforced by means such as...

- ...this armoring is also intended to reduce the possibility of collapse or kinking of the transtracheal catheter which could restrict the oxygen supply to the patient. Conveniently, coil spring 72 extends a sufficient distance along the length of tube 10 to provide the described features with flange or fastening means 18 located at about... an aperture 74 (Fig. 19) for receiving a chain 20, or other holding means. The catheter tube 10 is provided with a longitudinal passageway or lumen 76 and the distal end has a taper 78 with a longer posterior side for directing the oxygen away from the mucosa of the trachea. A plurality of openings 12 are spaced about the anterior side of the catheter through an arc of approximately 120(sup(o) and are all positioned on the portion...
- ...o) to either side of a mid-line 80 on the anterior side of the **tube** 10, as shown in Fig. 18.

The distinct advantage of this arrangement will be apparent from a viewing of Figs. 8 and 9. In Fig. 8, a prior art catheter K is shown having a tubular body member 82 with a flat distal end 84 and no openings in the sidewall. As can be seen, most of the oxygen is directed straight downwardly in a stream into the right main stream bronchus 16 since...

...shown by arrows 86, will be less likely to effectively mix with the stream of **oxygen** from the distal end 84 of **catheter** K as shown by arrows 88.

On the other hand, in one embodiment shown in Fig. 9, **oxygen** is discharged from **catheter** C through the beveled or tapered distal end 78 and openings 12 so as to...

...the patient's natural breathing, as indicated by arrows 92. This will occur because the **oxygen** is issued in multi-directional streams so that a substantial equal amount of **oxygen** enriched air passes essentially uniformly into both the right bronchus 16 and the left bronchus 17 and minimizes the drying effect of **oxygen** on the mucous membranes.

Another important distinction between the prior art catheter K and catheter C is that the connector of catheter K is flush against the trachea whereas the proximate end or extension 68 of catheter C extends outwardly for about 9 cm. This makes catheter C suitable for outpatient use, whereas catheter K is not. With extension 68, the patient can see connector 24 over his chin so that he can connect and disconnect the oxygen supply easily and can periodically remove the catheter for cleaning.

Oxygen is delivered at very low pressures, such as below 1.4 x 10(sup $4\dots$

...flow rates, which are usually 50% or less than that which is required with a cannula. Of course, the catheter is only for use by a spontaneously breathing outpatient. Individuals who require more than 3 liters per minute transtracheal catheter either at rest or during

exercise can receive up to 6 - 8 l/min. with the catheter of the present inventions. It can be seen from this chart that with the same flow rates in liters per minute for the 16 gauge catheter and the catheter of the present invention, blood oxygenation is improved for the described device. The nasal cannulae is clearly not as effective as the transtracheal catheters of the present invention even if operated at higher flow rates. Thus, a substantial savings can be obtained from reduced oxygen use while providing active patients with better blood gas values during the therapy. Used on a long term basis, this difference in efficiency should produce even more advantages...

...of useful life.

From the foregoing, the advantages of this invention are readily apparent. A transtracheal catheter has been provided which is safe and comfortable for a spontaneously breathing patient and can be installed in a doctor's office on an outpatient basis without requiring hospitalization. A method of installation is provided whereby the catheter is inserted under a local anesthetic, with the patient remaining ambulatory all times. Because of its small size, insertion can be accomplished with no risk of severing an artery. The transtracheal catheter is armored so that the possibility of kinking and crushing is minimized to assure a continuous supply of oxygen to the patient. Disconnection and reconnection of the oxygen supply is facilitated. The constant flow of low pressure oxygen into the collapsed airways of emphysema patients helps hold the bronchial open to improve the function of the lungs and reduce the work of breathing.

The...

- ...is constructed as described, with biocompatible materials where necessary. For example, the temporary and permanent **catheters** are preferably constructed as described from medical grade polyurethane which may be coated as described...
- ...in use, to tracheal secretions. The polymer also provides a lubricious surface for ease of **insertion** and removal. The polymer, also minimizes adherence of mucus to the **catheter**. Such polymers are currently used on other commercially available medical products such as feeding **tubes** which are in contact with mucosal surfaces for prolonged periods. The PVC material used in...
- ...polyurethane can be securely bonded together.

The bevel of the tip of temporary and permanent catheters, and the side ports of the permanent catheter direct oxygen away from the tracheal mucosa toward the center of the air column in the trachea...type taper connector is a feature which will result in a safety disconnect rather than catheter dislodgement in the event of an excessive pull on the proximal end of the Oxygen Hose.

The Cleaning Rod is designed to remove debris as it is passed through the lumen of either the temporary or permanent **catheter**. The length is preferably 5mm longer than the **catheter**, and over- **insertion** or loss down the **catheter** is prevented by the 2cm handle which is at a 90 (sup(o) angle and the small cap at the end of the handle.

Both, the temporary and permanent **catheter** of the present invention is most preferably an 8 or 9 French reinforced **tube** made of medical grade clear polyurethane with nylon coil spring reinforcement and approximately 20cm (7.875") in length.

The kink and crush resistant Oxygen Hose adapts standard oxygen sources to the catheter. Inadvertent decannulation is protected against

by the suspender-type security clip which attaches to the...

...and the 9 N (2 pound) safety release of the Luer taper connector between the ${f hose}$ and the ${f catheter}$.

In summary, the durometer values, i.e. about 70-90 Shore A, selected for the final configurations of the temporary and permanent catheters of the present invention are desirable and indeed necessary for proper insertion and long term patient comfort. In this regard, the spacing for the location of the holes of the distal end of the permanent catheter are preselected, within the range of orientation described, to retain a sufficient flexibility and stiffness to facilitate proper insertion, removal and cleaning, as well as enabling proper orientation, when in place, in order to...

...the benefits described herein. An 8 or 9 French size of the temporary and permanent catheters is the most preferred size since tests have shown that the proper back pressure, for a preselected range of oxygen flow rates can be achieved for this size of catheter to permit the efficient utilization of supplemental oxygen described herein.

In a presently preferred form of the invention, as shown in Figs. 21 catheter unit 100 comprises an intratracheal 31, a transtracheal tube means 102, an external oxygen supply tube means 104, a connector-stabilizer-support means 106 with a releasable oxygen connector means 108. An oxygen supply hose unit 110 comprises a tube member 111, a non-releasable connector means 112, a clip means 113, a tube member 114, a connector means 115 fixedly attached to tube member 111 and a releasable coupling means 116 fixedly attached to tube member 114 which is releasably connectable to an oxygen supply source 118; such as a relatively small-size, small-volume (e.g. 0.6 to 1.1 liters of liquid oxygen) lightweight patient portable supply tank 117 capable of supplying 1/2 liter of gaseous oxygen for 10 to 12 hours through conventional valve flow control means or a relatively large-size, large-volume (e.g. 30 liters of liquid oxygen), heavy, stand alone-type, main supply cylinder or the like (not shown). Supply tank 117

...118 having a shoulder or back strap 119.

As shown in Figs. 22 - 24, the intratracheal tube means 102 comprises a continuous one-piece tubular member having an annular passage 120 defined...

- ...upwardly spaced portion 129. Tip portion 128 is preferably molded and polished for ease of insertion, comfort and avoidance of mucosal irritation. A plurality of forwardly facing side discharge openings 130
- ...133 has a flat transverse end surface 133 defining a cylindrical inlet opening 134.

The intratracheal tube means 102 comprises a continuous, one-piece, tubular member made from a length of straight...

- ...thermoplastic tubular material such as polyurethane which easily conforms to the human anatomy to enable **insertion** into the trachea and has thermosetting characteristics so as to be able to adopt a...
- ...subject to body temperature in continuous use in the trachea. Thus, a portion of the intratracheal tube member will gently rest against the posterior trachea wall in a stable position and will...
- ...walls with normal respiratory excursions while still maintaining a balance of overall flexibility for comfort. **Intratracheal tube** member

- 102 has a durometer of between 70 to 90 Shore A (80 Shore A being presently preferred). **Tube** member 102 has an outside diameter of between 1.8 millimeters to 3.5 millimeters...
- ...e.g. 1.5 to 2.7 mm) for pediatric patients. The inside diameter of **tube** member 102 is between 1.7 to 3.0 mm (1.9 mm being presently...
- ...between 0.1 to 0.9 mm (0.6mm being presently preferred). The length of tube member 102 for adults is between approximately 8cm to 14 cm (11 cm being presently...Flat inner surface 141 provides an abutment surface to engage the neck skin about the insertion tract. An upper flat peripheral surface 143 is connected by relatively large radius curved side...
- ...72 inch)) as the inside diameter (e.g. 1.85 cm (0.73 inch)) of **tube** member 102, is located in a transverse flange portion 154 between counterbores 155, 156 which...
- ...tapered and have diameters approximately equal to or slightly less than the outside diameters of **tube** members 102, 104 so as to enable slidable, low-friction **insertion** of the ends of the **tube** members therewithin into abutting engagement with the side surfaces of flange portion 154. The end portions of the **tube** members 102, 104 are fixedly sealably attached to member 106 by any suitable means such...
- ...applying a suitable solvent material to the outer periphery of each tubular portion prior to **insertion** into the counterbores. While it is intended that both **tube** members 102, 104 be permanently connected to member 106, the construction and arrangement is such...
- ...forces (e.g. 36 to 67,5 N (8 to 15 pounds)), the bond between tube 104 and member 106 will break before the flange breaks away from the security necklace. Tube member 102 is precisely oriented relative to flange portion 140 so that the oxygen discharge opening in the tip portion 128 and side wall oxygen passages 130 will be properly located in the trachea whereby the oxygen is discharged forwardly. Flange portion 140 stabilizes the tube member 102, has a low profile and small surface area and is made of soft material for comfort and non-irritation in use while allowing the skin around the insertion tract in the neck to breathe. Flange portion 140 has circular openings 157, 158 for receiving a neck chain or band member 158 as previously described.
 - External tube means 104 is made of kink and crush-resistant molded plastic material such as polyurethane...
- ...or polypropylene which resists cracking and breaking. Preferably, clear plastic material is used for cosmetics. **Tube** means 104 has a length of approximately between 2 to 12 cm (8 cm being...
- ...distance beyond the connector-stabilizer-support member 106 to enable movement without displacement of the intratracheal tube member 102 and for comfort and ease of cleaning. Tube means 104 has a central cylindrical smooth-wall constant diameter passage 160 in an annular...
- ...diameter of passage 160 is approximately the same as the diameter of passage 120 in **tube** member 102 and passage 153 in flange portion 154 of member 106. In the presently preferred embodiment, **tube** member 104 has a durometer of approximately 80 Shore A, an outside diameter of approximately...
- ...27 & 28, is of the same general construction as a conventional Luer

- compatible tapered **oxygen** friction connector device and is made of a one piece, generally cylindrical member 170 made...
- ...175, 176. Counterbore 173 has a diameter approximately equal to the outside diameter of external **tube** member 104 and has a slightly outwardly tapered surface 177 so as to enable **tube** end portion 166 to be slidably **inserted** into engagement with annular side surface 178 of rib portion 171 and then permanently connected...
- ...191, a central abutment flange portion 192, and a ribbed end portion 193 for fixed insertion into the end of tube member 111. In this manner, the elongated tapered connecting male portion 191 of connecting means 115 on the end portion of tubular member 111 is insertable into passage 174 of connector means 108 and securely releasably held therein with a retention...
- ...and liquid capsules, to apply liquid medications or the like.

 In the present preferred embodiment, oxygen supply tube member 111 is ...approximately 3 mm (1/8 inch) and a length of approximately 51 cm (20 inches). Oxygen supply tube member 114 is made of extruded plastic material, such as PVC having a durometer of...
- ...of approximately 3 mm (1/8 inch) and length of about 130 cm (50 inches). Tube members 111, 114 are permanently connected by connector member 112 by solvent bonding in aligned counterbores as previously described. Tube members 111,114 preferably have the same inside diameters to prevent back pressure variances and...
- ...with a plastic loop member 113L fixedly secured thereto and slidably adjustable frictionally mounted on **tube** member 114 adjacent connector 112 for attachment to a belt of any size.

Oxygen tank connector means 116, Figs. 29 and 30, comprises an elongated body member of molded...

- ...presently preferred), which is integrally fixedly molded around and bonded to end portion 114E of **tube** member 114 which terminates at 114T in abutting engagement with rib portion 194 adjacent a...
- ...in rib portion 194 and having a diameter approximately equal to the inside diameter of tube member 114. Head portion 196 has a cylindrical end portion 202 and an annular, outer...
- ...is adapted to releasably receive an elongated ribbed male coupling portion 210, Fig. 21, on **oxygen** tank 117. The construction and arrangement of connector means 116 is such as to provide...
- ...enable the user to firmly grip the connector means during connection and disconnection from the oxygen supply means without kinking of tube member 114. The tapered passage 195 facilitates connection to the oxygen supply hose and provides a reduced diameter transition to the supply hose inlet opening to minimize back pressure. The enlarged head portion prevents breakage and cracking of the wall portion.

Figs. 25 & 26 shows a 9 French Stent device 220 which is generally similar to catheter unit portions 102 and 106 and comprises a one piece tubular member 221 having a...

...bonding as previously described. Counterbore portion 231 has a size and tapered shape to enable **insertion** of a standard size syringe. Relatively small-size openings 234, 236 in flange portion 225...

...are smaller than the chain diameter to prevent use of the support chain 159 with **Stent** support member 224.

A presently preferred catheter cleaning rod 240, shown in Figs. 32 & 33, comprises an 0.5 mm (0...

...head portion 244 having an outside diameter approximately equal to the inside diameter of the **tube**. An injection molded plastic handle member 246, fixedly mounted on the other end of the wire, comprises a flat abutment surface 248 to prevent over—insertion of the wire beyond the tip of the **catheter**; a pair of flat side surfaces 250, 251 with indentations 252, 253 for gripping; and a rounded side surface 254. Thus, the presently preferred embodiment of the invention provides a

transtracheal catheter unit 100 having oxygen flow capability of from 0.1 to 8 liters per minute through an intratracheal tube member having an inside diameter of 1.7 to 3.0 millimeters. The intratracheal tube member is made of flexible thermoplastic material having a durometer of 70 to 90 Shore...

...is variable for each individual patient while enabling usage of a cleaning rod within the oxygen passage in the intratracheal member. The construction and arrangement is such that the catheter tip rests against the smooth posterior wall portion of the trachea so as to reduce...the trachea. The outside diameter is sufficiently small to permit unrestricted spontaneous breathing around the catheter. The catheter tip is beveled and positively oriented by the external connecting-locating flange so that the long axis of the oval opening faces forwardly to direct oxygen away from the tracheal mucosa to protect against drying and irritation. When relatively high flow rate oxygen (e.g. 2 to 8 liters per minute) is to be used, the side holes located near the tip portion further disperse the oxygen in a forward direction for comfort and to minimize drying. The oxygen passage is open to enable usage of a cleaning rod. The oxygen supply hoses and connector members provide for safety and ease of usage. The catheter oxygen supply hose connector member provides a 4.5 to 22 N (1 to 5 pound force) safety disconnect feature. The stabilizer member is to 14 pound) force safety separation feature. The large connector member at the end of the supply $\ \ hose$ $\ \ means$ provides an impedance matching feature while also being kink and crush resistant. The inside diameters of all tube members and passages in connecting members are approximately the same so as to provide a continuous substantially unrestricted constant passage between the tip portion of the catheter and the source of oxygen . intratracheal

In summary, the invention comprises a system for providing a continuous supplemental supply of relatively low pressure oxygen at a relatively low flow rate to enhance spontaneous breathing of a person having chronic hypoxemia . The system comprises an elongated intratracheal tube means having an elongated continuous constant diameter central passage means extending between an oxygen inlet opening means at a proximate end portion of the intratracheal means and an oxygen outlet opening means at a distal end portion thereof. The intratracheal tube means is fixedly permanently mounted on an external connector-stabilizer-support means for mounting on and support by the neck of a person and insertion into the trachea of the person through a surgically formed permanent insertion opening in the skin of the person located in the cervical trachea of the person. The external connector-stabilizer-mounting means is oriented relative to the intratracheal tube means for locating the distal end portion and the oxygen outlet opening means in the trachea below the cricoid cartilage

and in upwardly spaced relationship...

- ...support means and has a length such as to provide a proximate end portion and oxygen inlet opening means located a sufficient distance away from the insertion opening in the skin to enable flexible displacement relative to the connector-stabilizer-support means without causing displacement of the intratracheal tubular means. The intratracheal tubular means is made of a continuous one-piece constant diameter flexible elongated intatracheal tube member having a continuous constant diameter passage extending therethrough and having thermosetting characteristics being flexible when inserted into the functional position within the trachea to provide therein an intermediate curved side wall...
- ...having an unrestricted distal end outlet opening located in upwardly spaced relationship to the bronchial **tubes** of the patient. The **intratracheal tube** member has a relatively small outside diameter of between 1.8 to 3.5 mm...
- ...90 Shore A such as to prevent collapse, kinking or other deformation causing restriction of **oxygen** flow and to enable continuous free flow of relatively low pressure relatively low flow rate **oxygen** therethrough from the inlet opening to the outlet opening with the pressure of the **oxygen** being no more than 1.4 x 10(sup 4) Nm(sup -)(sup 2) (2...
- ...larynx and the sternum and for holding the connector-stabilizer-support means proximate to the **insertion** opening in the skin. A frictional coupling means is provided on a proximate end portion of the external **tube** means for releasable connection to an **oxygen** supply **tube** means which comprises a first portion for mounting next adjacent the upper body of the...
- ...beneath clothing and having a disconnectable coupling means for releasable frictional coupling to the external **tube** means. The **oxygen** supply **tube** means further comprises a second portion with a coupling means for coupling to the oxygen supply source.

The distal end outlet opening on the intratracheal tube member has an inclined end surface and defines a longitudinally extending oval opening or slot...

...side of the trachea of the patient for enabling only downward and forward flow of **oxygen** from the outlet opening and side facing slot means without rearward flow toward the rear side of the trachea.

A plurality of transverse laterally spaced forwardly facing **oxygen** outlet passage means may be provided in the distal side wall portion in upwardly spaced...of no more than 180(degree) circumference for enabling only forward and downward flow of **oxygen** toward the front of the trachea through the air outlet passage means without rearward flow...

...CLAIMS and

a locating abutment means (106) on said transtracheal tube means (100) for locating said transtracheal tube means relative to the insertion opening in the skin by abutting engagement with the skin circumjacent the insertion opening in the skin and for separating said transtracheal tube means into an elongated subcutaneous tubular means portion (102), including said distal end portion, located on one side of said locating abutment means for mounting in the trachea and for further separating said transtracheal tube means into an external tubular means portion (104), including said proximate end portion, for connection to an oxygen supply (118); characterised by:

the external tubular means portion (104) having a length between said locating abutment means and said proximate end portion such as to space said **oxygen** inlet opening means a sufficient distance away from the **insertion** opening in the skin to enable flexible displacement relative to said attachment abutment means without causing displacement of said **subcutaneous** tubular means portion (102);

said subcutaneous tubular means portion (102) being made of a continuous one-piece constant diameter flexible elongated intratracheal tube member with thermosetting characteristics having a continuous constant diameter passage extending therethrough and being flexible when inserted into an operative position within the trachea to provide therein an intermediate, thermoset, curved side...

- ...having an unrestricted distal end outlet opening located in upwardly spaced relationship to the bronchial **tubes** (16,17) of the person; said **intratracheal tube** member having an outside diameter, of between 1.8 and 3.5 mm or 1...
- ...durometer between 70 and 90 Shore A, such as to prevent deformation causing restriction of oxygen flow and to enable continuous free flow of the oxygen therethrough from said inlet opening to said outlet opening, the pressure of the oxygen being no more than 1.4 x 10(sup 4) Nm(sup -)(sup 2) (2 psi) and the flow rate of the oxygen being no more than 8 liters per minute; and said locating abutment means including neck...
- ...to said locating abutment means and for holding said locating abutment means proximate to the **insertion** opening in the skin. ... CLAIMS B1

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English Abstract

...42, D, S, T, R, C) containing apparatus for use in the placement of specific transtracheal catheters (40, D, S, T) for varying periods, including a transtracheal catheter (C) suitable for in-dwelling long-term oxygen supplementation therapy for patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, by its size, perforation location and cleanability, and a method for placement.

French Abstract

...40, 41, 42, D, S, T, R, C) contenant un dispositif utilise pour placer des catheters transtracheaux specifiques (40, D, S, T) pour des periodes variables, comprenant un catheter transtracheal (C) indique pour l'installation a demeure, grace a sa taille, l'emplacement de la perforation et les possibilites de nettoyage, afin de soumettre des patients presentant des troubles pulmonaires obstructifs chroniques a une therapie d'oxygenation supplementaire de longue duree. Un procede d'installation du catheter est egalement decrit.

TRANSTRACHEAL CATHETER SYSTEM AND METHOD Background of the Invention Technical Field.

This invention pertains to a system for supplemental transtracheal oxygen therapy including trans tracheal catheter devices for providing transtracheal oxygen to spontaneously breathing patients with chronic lung disease and to methods for catheter placement and use, Such devices are medically desirable therapy for patients having a chronic need for oxygen where a catheter can be installed on a semi-permanent out patient basis.

As a result of studies...

...in the 1960's and early 19701s, it has been determined that long-term continuous oxygen therapy is beneficial in the treatment of hypoxemic patients with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) In other words,, a patient's quality and length of life can be improved by providing a constant supplemental supply of oxygen to the patient's lungs.

However, with the current desire to contain medical costs, there is a growing concern that the additional cost of providing continuous oxygen therapy for chronic lung disease will create an excessive increase in the cost of oxygen therapy. Thus, it now desirable that oxyge n therapy, when provided, be as cost effective as possible.

The standard treatment for patients requiring supplemental oxygen is still to deliver oxygen from an oxygen source by means of a nasal cannula. Such treatment, however, requires a large amount of oxygen, which is wasteful and can cause soreness and irritation to 'the nose,, as well as...

...reported.

other medical approaches which have been proposed to help reduce the cost of continuous **oxygen** therapy have been studied.

Various devices and **methods** have been devised for performing emergency cricothyroidotomies and for providing a tracheotomy **tube** so that a patient whose airway is otherwise blocked may continue to breathe. is Such...

...a patient who is not breathing spontaneously and are not intended for the long-term oxygen supplementation therapy for chronic lung disease. Typically, such devices are installed by puncturing the skin to create a hole through the cricoid thyroid membrane above the trachea through which a relatively large curved trach eotomy tube is inserted . As previously described, the use of such tubes has been restricted medically to emergency situations where the patient would otherwise suffocate due to the blockage of the airway. Such emergency tracheotomy tubes are not intended for long-term **oxygen** supplementation therapy after the airway blockage is removed. Other devices which have been found satisfactory for emergency...Weiss, et al.; and U.S. Patent No. 3,916,903 to Pozzi.

Although tracheotomy tubes are satisfactory for their intended purpose, they are not intended for chronic usage by outpatients as a means for delivering supplemental oxygen to spontaneously breathing patients

with COPD . Such tracheotomy tubes are generally designed so as to provide the total air supply to the patient for a relatively short period of time. The tracheotomy tubes are generally of rigid or semi-rigid construction and of large caliber ranging from 2...

...mm

outside diameter in infants to 15 mm outside diameter in adults. The are normally $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) +\left(1\right) +$

room as a surgical **procedure** or in the emergency room during emergency situations, through the cricothyroid membrane where the tissue...

...directions

until nofmal breathing. ha@ been restored by other means.

A@other type of tracheotomy **tube** is disclosed in Jacobs, U.S, Patent No. 3,682,166 and U.S. Patent No.

31788jr326, The catheter described therein is placed over 14 or 16 gauge needle and inserted through the cricothyroid membrane for supplying air or oxygen and vacuum an an emergency basis to restore the breathing of a non-breathing patient, Because of resistance to gas flow created by the small inside diameter of the tube, the air or oxygen is supplied at very high pressures, i.e. from 30 to 100 psi for inflation and deflation of the patient's lungs. The Jacobs catheter , like the other tracheotomy tubes previously used, is not intended for long-term outpatient use, and could not easily be adapted to such use, Due to the limited functionality of tracheotomy tubes , transtracheal catheters have been proposed and used for long-term supplemental therapy , For oxygen example the small diameter transtracheal catheter (16 gauge) developed by Dr. Henry J, Heimlich (described in THE ANNALS OF OTOLOGY, RHINOLOGY & LARYNGOLOGY, Nov.-Dec. 1982; Respiratory Rehabilitation with Trans oxygen tracheal

tracheal oxygen System) has been used by the insertion of a relatively large cutting needle (14 gauge) into the trachea at the mid-point between the cricothyroid membrane and the sternal notch. This catheter size can supply oxygen up to about 2 to 3 liters per minute at low pressures, such as 2 psi, however this flow rate may be insufficient for patients who have higher oxygen requirements. It does not,, however, lend itself to convenient outpatient use and maintenance, such as periodic removal and cleaning, primarily because the connector between the catheter and the oxygen supply hose is ad-4acent and against the anterior portion of J.

the trachea and cannot be easily seen and manipulated by the patient, Furthermore, the- catheter is not provided with positive means to protect against kinking or collapsing which would prevent...home care use, Also, because of its structure,, i,e.

only one exit opening, the **oxygen** from the **catheter** is directed straight down the trachea toward the bifrucation between the bronchi. Because of...

...at

a more acute angle to the trachea than the right bronchus, more of the **oxygen** from that **catheter** tends to be directed into the right bronchus rather than being directed or mixed for more equal utilization by both bronchi. Also, as structured, the **oxygen** can strike the mucous membrane of the carina, resulting in an undesirable sensation and a tendency to cough, In addition, in such devices, if a substantial portion of the **oxygen** is directed against the back wall of the trachea it may result in erosion of...

...because of

the limited output from the device, it may not operate to supply sufficient **oxygen** during **supplemental oxygen therapy** when the patient is exercising or otherwise quite active or has severe disease. Thus, none...

...long-term basis.

it is therefore an objective of the present invention to provide a catheter, catheter insertion system and method for catheter insertion and use which will provide for efficient long-term oxygen therapy, particularly for active patients and severely ill patients with high oxygen requirements at rest.

Disclosure of the Invention The present invention provides an apparatus for supplying supplemental oxygen to a patient from a portable supply of oxygen which is capable of being carried-by such patient, and which oxygen is capable of being introduced uniformly into both of the lungs of such patient on a continuous long-term daily basis by oxygen into the cervical conduction of supplemental trachea (below the cricoid and above the sternal notch) through a catheter disposed in the trachea in a down wardly extending position in the trachea with a distal end portion of such catheter , structured and located in the lower trachea to promote adequate mixing of the oxygen introduced with the air from a normally breathing patient, the catheter apparatus comprising an elongated flexible tube means having a durometer of from about 80 to about 90 and a length sufficient...

...end

portion outwardly of the neck for attachment of the proximate end portion to a **tube** connected to a portable supply of **oxygen** carried by the person; the **tube** means of said **catheter** having a lumen having a continuous smooth cylindrical outer peripheral surface and a continuous smooth...

...lexible grade material having an inside diameter of between 1.7 and 2.5 millimeters; oxygen outlet opening means at ...a downwardly and generally anteriorly facing end opening of the same diameter as said continuous oxygen passage means when said tube means is in place

in the trachea, and said distal end portion of said **tube** means additionally containing a plurality of openings located in predetermined spaced relationship above said end...

...sidewall and facing generally forwardly toward the center of the tracheal air column for supplying oxygen only in a forwardly f acing direction whereby rearward f low of oxygen toward the posterior portion of the 4 trachea is limited to prevent erosion of the mucous membranes, said tube means additionally containing reinforcement means mounted either completely within said sidewall between said outer peripheral...

...or externally of the tub.e for maintaining a constant lumen cross-section in said tube means by resisting restriction of said central passage means in preselected locations in order to maintain said continuous constant diameter of said central passage means during oxygen therapy use; said tube means also preferably being provided with hydro philic coating means on the portion which resides...
...mucous-type mater als present in the trachea which would otherwise restrict the flow of oxygen through said tube means.

In addition, the present invention include's a kit for installing a transtracheal catheter for use in supplying oxygen on a substantially, low pressure basis directly to the bronchi of a spontaneously breathing outpatient for long-term treatment of chronic obstruction pulmonary disease. In a preferred form, the catheter, as previously described, comprises a thin, flexible, kink and collapse resistant, tracheal tube having a proximate end and a distal end, Preferably, reinforcement means such as a coil of wire or other reinforcing material is molded in the tube.

Alternatively, reinforcing means can be around the outer diameter of the external part of the catheter . A plurality of openings are also provided on the anterior side of the distal tube to facilitate mixing of the oxygen with the air being breathed in by the patient. The openings are laterally spaced about a mid-line along the anterior side of the wall of the catheter through an arc of about 1201, i.e., up to about 60' on either side of the midline. A connector is attached to the outwardly extending proximate end of the tube a suffiAent distance so as'to be capable of being viewed by the patient so that the patient is better able to connect the catheter to a source of oxygen . Stabilizing means are provided so as to enable the patient to reduce the inadvertent movement of the catheter when it is in place and in use. With this arrangement, the proximate portion of the catheter extends out from the patient ...end thereof can be viewed by the patient to facilitate his connecting and disconnecting the oxygen supply and to facilitate cleaning the catheter on an outpatient

basis, if necessary. The distal end is tapered with the posterior side being longer than the anterior side so as to direct oxygen away from the posterior wall against which it gently rests,

The invention also contemplates a method of inserting a transtracheal catheter in the trachea of a patient, The method comprises, under local anesthesia, the steps of infiltrating the soft tissue overlying the anterior side...

...the anesthesized tissue into
the trachea; injecting local anesthetic into the
trachea through the needle; inserting a guide wire
through the needle; removing the needle over the guide
wire; inserting a tissue dilator over the guide wire to
enlarge the tract; removing the dilator; inserting a
stent over the guide wire and through the enlarged
tract; removing the guide wire; securing the stent by
appropriate means, in place for a first period of time
while initial healing of...

...occurs so as

to allow air to freely pass out through the lumen of the stent during coughing, rather than accumulating under the skin with the adherent risk of injury; removing the stent; inserting a temporary catheter in the tract; securing the temporary catheter in place for a, second longer period of time until the tract'completely matures; removing the temporary catheter; inserting a removable fin-al catheter and releasably securing the final catheter in place. This unique method allows the use of a small needle f or the insertion of a catheter which is larger than the needle, and capable of providing sufficient supplemental oxygen for oxygen therapy with active patients but not so large as to require an operation to insert.

The preferred apparatus for carrying out the foregoing method can be provided in the form of a first kit, The transtracheal catheter described hereinbefore is one piece of the apparatus contained in the second kits The first...

...use with a syringe for injecting an anesthetic into the trachea after the needle is inserted through the trachea to form the tract. The first kit also includes a guide wire for insertion through the needle to maintain the tract after the needle is removed. The guide wire is marked at 11 cm. to prevent over-inserting. A dilator is also provided, which is tapered and has a central passageway for threading...

...of the

tract or opening, The dilator is marked at 7 cm. to prevent over insertion. The dilator is then removed while keeping the guide wire in place, A stent, having a central passageway is also provided in the kit and is inserted in the dilated tract after the dilator is removed in order to maintain the size...

...opening to facilitate initial healing of the tract, The guide wire is then removed, The lstent is held in position during healing by suturing.

The second kit includes a **catheter** which has a single opening at a beveled distal end and replaces the **stent**, The beveled end on the temporary **catheter** is longer on th7e posterior or superior side so that the **oxygen** stream is directed away from the mucosa and toward the center of the trachea. The temporary **catheter** can be connected to a supply of **oxygen** during this period and remains in place until healing is complete. A cleaning rod is...

...to clean out mucous plugs which may form in the distal end of the temporary catheter . To facilitate disconnecting and reconnecting the oxygen supply and the cleaning of the catheter , . the proximate end of the catheter extends a sufficient distance outwardly from the surface of the neck and the stabilizing flange on the catheter so that the patient can see the connector thereon over his chin. Finally, the third kit includes a removable, final catheter which has the same dimensions as the temporary catheter and replaces the temporary catheter at the end of the tract healing period. The final catheter has a tapered distal end like the temporary catheter and also has a series of spaced openings in the anterior side wall thereof to facilitate mixing of the oxygen supplied through the tube with the air inhaled by the patient. These openings are spaced about an arc which does not exceed 601 from the midline on the anterior side of the tube . The kits which have been described, together with the unique temporary and f inal catheters , provide the means for installing the catheters by a unique method, The catheters are suitable for outpatient use over extended periods of time by patients suffering from COPD , The catheters can be cleaned by the patients,, the final catheter being removable by the patient for cleaning and reinsertion. Because of the external extension of the proximate end of the tube beyond the connecting flange of the disclosed fastening means, the patient can see the connector and easily manipulate it to connect and disconnect the oxygen , -Additional advantages of the invention will become apparent from the description which follows, taken in...

...accompanying drawings.

Brief Description of the Drawings
Fig. 1 is a perspective view showing the trans
tracheal catheter of this invention mounted through the
skin and into the trachea of a patient and showing the
oxygen supply connecting tube secured to the patient's
wearing apparel between the connection to the trans
tracheal catheter and the connector to a supply of
oxygen;
Fig. 2 is a diagrammatical illustration of the
infiltration of a local anesthetic into the...needle is removed;

Fig* 5 is a diagrammatical illustration of the in sertion of the **stent** over the guide wire after removal of the dilator;

Fig. 6 is a diagrammatical illustration of the in sertion of a temporary transtracheal catheter after removal of the stent .;

Fig. 7 is a diagrammatical illustration of the in sertion of the final catheter,, after removal of the temporary catheter;

Fig. 8 is a diagrammatic view of the trachea with a flush-mounted prior art catheter showing the orientation of the catheter and the flow of oxygen to the patient from the catheter;

Fig. 9 is a diagrammatic view of the trachea,, similar to Fig. 8, but showing the thorough mixing of oxygen0 and air by means of the catheter of this invention;

Fig. 10 is a side elevation of guide wire which forms a...

...which

forms a part of the first kit of this invention, for use in the method of implanting the transtracheal catheter of this invention;

Fig. 12 is an end view of the distal end of the dilator of Fig. 11;

Fig. 13 is a side elevation of a **stent** which forms a part of the first kit of this invention; Fig. 14 is a...

...a second kit of this invention;
Fig. 15 is a side elevation of a temporary catheter
which forms a part of the second kit of this invention;
Fig. 16 is a side elevation of a removable, final
catheter which forms a part of the third kit of this
invention;
Fig. 17 is an...

...section, taken along line 19-19 of Fig. 16 showing an attachment means for the transtracheal catheter.

Fig. 20 is a graph comparing **oxygen** therapy by an analysis of blood **oxygen** during exercise of the **catheter** of the present invention compared to other therapies .

Fig* 21 is another embodiment of a reinforced catheter useful in the practice of the present invention.

Figo 22 is a partial sectioned view...

...Invention

As best seen in Fig. 1, a patient P has been fitted with a transtracheal catheter C. The catheter includes a flexible reinforced tube 10 having a plural ity of openings -12 at the distal end thereof. These openings have a 'specific orientati7on to facilitate the mixing of the oxygen with the air being breathed by the patient, as more fully explained hereinafter. The distal...

...a tract in the trachea 14, is positioned above the carina 15 to supply the **oxygen** equally to the right and left bronchus 16 and 17. The **catheter** is **inserted** into the cervical trachea, in a manner more fully described hereinafter.

After insertion, attachment means 18." is used to secure the catheter C to the patient I s: neck by means of a chain 20 extending around the patient's neck.

The proximate end of **catheter** C extends away from the patient's body and has a connector 24 attached to **tube** 10 through which **oxygen** is supplied to the patient.

Preferably, tube 10 is reinforced, and most preferably, is reinforced by a coil inserted snuggly internally into the lumen. As is readily apparent, the extension provided, makes it possible...

...to see

connector 24 over his chin so as to connect and discon nect the oxygen supply tube and to even remove the catheter, as an outpatient, at home, for cleaning and then replace it and reconnect the oxygen supply. The source of oxygen can be from any source of oxygen such as pressurized oxygen tanks, liquid oxygen reservoirs or oxygen concentrators. With some minor variation in the prescribed flow rates.

As shown in Fig. 1, an intermediate reinforced tube 26 is provided which is connected between connector 24 through clip 30 which is shown...

- ...30 can be attached directly to
 the patient's wearing apparel instead of using a
 supplemental belt. The connector 34 is then connected
 to tube 36 to oxygen supply 38. The purpose of this
 structure is to assure that as the patient moves...
- ...p4tient will not move to the limit, of the tubing and place a stress on catheter C which could pull the catheter out of the trachea and perhaps cause injury or discomfort to the patient, With the intermediate tubing arrangement as shown, any tension would be placed on tube 36 and not on tube 26. In addition, the connector 24 is designed to disengage this also when subjected to a 1 to 3 pound pull.

The catheter system of the present invention includes two catheters. The first is referred to herein as a temporary catheter which is used for a limited period of time while the tract or fistula formed through the trachea heals. The second catheter is referred to as the final catheter which is capable of being used by the patienz on a long-term basis but...

...by the patient, at home, for cleaning on a periodic basis. The differences in these **catheters** will be more fully explained hereinafter, Both cathe ters are made of the same material differences, have the same dimensions.

In this regard, for an adult patient, the **catheter** will have a length of approximately 20 cm and be made preferably of polyurethane, or...

- ...80 and about 90, The attachment means 18" is located near the midpoint of the tube after placement and is approximately 9 cm from connector 24 on the proximate end of the tube and approximately 11 cm from the distal end of the tube when in place in the trachea, For an adult, the preferred diameter is an 8 French catheter. In some instances, it is contemplated that the inside diameter might be as small...
- ...Of course, the length would be correspondingly shorter to prevent the problems previously discussed.

The method of inserting transtracheal catheter C is best illustrated in Figs. 2 Conveniently, the method can be carried out by using apparatus contained in three kits. The first kit contains a hypodermic needle, a guide' wire, a dilator and a stent. The second kit contains the temporary catheter and a cleaning rod. A final catheter and a cleaning rod are contained in the third kit, In Fig. 2, a local...

- the needlef the possibility of hemorrhaging is greatly reduced even though the tissue being penetrated is vascular. A 32 cm straight guide wire 42 is passed through the 18 gauge...
- trachea as seen in Fig, 3, The bevel on the needle and angle of insertion are exploited to direct the guide wire downwardly into the trachea. Conveniently, indicia, such as...
- ...designed not to scratch or
 otherwise injure the mucosa or trachea when the wire is
 inserted . This atraumatic end is preferably about ...cm from the
 atrai;matic end to
 help the physician determine the proper depth of
 insertion .

Next, preferably a 10 French by 15 cm long Teflon dilator D, found in the...

- ...small tract or fistula created by the hypodermic needle 40 is generally enlarged by the insertion of the taper of distal end 45 of the dilator into the tract, As the dilator is inserted safely by the physician to the mark 48, previously described, see Fig. 11f the tract...
- ...minute to accomplish sufficient stretching of the tissue.

Next the dilator is removed and the **stent** S I the final element of the fist kit, is passed over the guide

...through the tract into the tracheal as best seen in Fig. 5. The structure of stent St with attached flange 18 is Illustrated in Figs. 13.

The flange 18 serves to stabilize the **stent** by sutures placed through its eyelets and adapts to Luer taper connectors for instillation of lidocaine to suppress coughing. The **stent** has a body 51 which is made of sufficiently rigid material to hold the tract which has been formed in the trachea open. This **stent** body 51 has, preferably, a 9 French diameter and is preferably about 11 cm long...

...distal tapered end
52 to the proximal end 50. The tapered end 52 facili
tates insertion of stent S through the tract in the
trachea, A passageway 53 extends through the stent and
is maintained open to allow air to pass out of the
patient and prevent...

...the skin to minimize the danger of the patient experiencing subcu taneous emphysema, during the process, After typically one week, or longer if indicated, stent S is removed by the physician and a temporary catheter T is inserted, as shown in Fig. 6. The structure of this catheter is best seen by reference to Fig, 16, The temporary catheter is longer than the stent , being about 20 cm in length. In fact, the length of the distal end 54 temporary catheter T which rests inside the trachea is approximately 11 cm long, which is the same length as the distal end of the stent . The temporary catheter has a connector 56 at the proximate end 58 thereof for attachment to an oxygen supply. The extra length of tubing provided by proximate end 58 makes it possible ...the patient to see connector 56 so that he can easily connect or disconnect the oxygen supply and can clean the catheter, as described below.

This **catheter** also has a longitudinal passageway 60 extending its entire length and is provided with reinforcing...

..within the tubular material that forms proximate end 58 and distal end 54 of temporary catheter To The purpose of this armoring is to reduce the possibility of the catheter collapsing, or kinking from any manipulation done by the patient to thereby help assure a constant supply of oxygen to the patient by keeping a constant cross-sectional area in the catheter lumen. This is important since this device will be used by an outpatient who will...

...shown in Figs. 21 and 22 illustrate another structure for reinforcing predetermined portions of the **catheter** against kinking or collapsing during use. The flange 98 (which is shaped and structured as...

...reinforcing means 91 (shown in phantom
 in Rig. 22), which snuggly surroundsothe outside of the
 tube 95, to provide kink and collapse resistance to the
 tube 95during use,
 Referring again to Fig. 21, the preferred extent
 of placement of the external reinforcing means 91 to
 provide the desired reinforcement for the catheter tube
 95, is shown. It is contemplated that up to about
 three inches of coil reinforcement...

...portion 54 has a taper 62 which is longer on the posterior side to facilitate insertion and also to deflect the oxygen introduced through the catheter away from the mucosa at the back of the trachea and to direct the oxygen downwardly and slightly forwardly. After proper positioning the temporary catheter T is connected to a source of oxygen, The oxygen flow is then adjusted to achieve a blood oxygen saturation of at least 90% by ear oximetry or arterial blood gas analysis.

Since oxygen is now being supplied to the patient throug temporary catheter T, it is necessary to keep passageway or lumen 60 open. This is accomplished by...

...the shaft 64. Shaft 64 is slightly longer than the total length of the temporary catheter To To clean out the catheter, the oxygen is disconnected and the shaft 64 of cleaning rod R is a inserted through ...After cleaning, the cleaning rod R is removed and the connector 56 is reconnected to oxygen supply.

The temporary catheter with flange 181 and rein forced as described, is preferably kept in place for six...

...trachea can heal completely. After complete healing has occurred, the physician removes the tempo rary catheter T and provides the patient with a final ca-theter C which is inserted and positioned as shown in Fig, 7* This catheter is similar to the temporary catheter T with certain differences, as enumerated below.

The structure of the final transtracheal catheter C, which is a part of the third kit, is shown in Figs.

16-19, The catheter tube 10 is also reinforced, preferably by means such as a coil spring 72 which is...

...this armoring is also intended to reduce the possibility of collapse or kinking of the trans tracheal catheter which could restrict the oxygen supply to the patient, Conveniently, coil spring 72 extends a sufficient distance along the length of tube 10 to provide the described features with f lange or fastening means 18" located at...

...an aperture

and openings 12 so as to...

74 (Fig* 19) for receiving a chain 20,, or other holding means. The catheter tube 10 is provided with a longi tudinal passageway or lumen 76 and the distal end has a taper 78 with a longer posterior side for directing the oxygen away from the mucosa of the trachea. A plurality of openings 12 are spaced about the anterior side of the catheter through an arc of approximately 120' and are all positioned on the portion of the...

...within 60' to either side of a midline 80 on the anterior side of the tube 10, as shown in Fig, 18* The distinct advantage of this arrangement will be apparent from a viewing of Figs, 8 and 9. In Fig. 8, a prior art catheter K is shown having a tubular body member 82 with a flat distal end 84 and no openings in the sidewall. As can be seen, most of the oxygen is directed straight downwardly in a stream into the right main stream bronchus 16 since...shown by arrows 86, will be less likely to effectively mix with the stream of oxygen from the distal end 84 of catheter K as shown by arrows 88. on the other hand, in applicant's preferred embodiment, shown in Fig. 9, oxygen is discharged from catheter C through the beveled or tapered distal end 78

...the patient's natural breathing, as indicated by arrows 92. This will occur because the oxygen is issued in multi directional streams so that a substantial equal amount of oxygen enriched air passes essentially uniformly into both the right bronchus 16 and the left bronchus 17 and minimizes the drying effect of oxygen on the mucous membranes.

Another important distinction between the prior art catheter K and catheter C is that the connector of catheter K is flush against the trachea whereas the proximate end or extension 68 of catheter C extends outwardly for about 9 cm, This makes catheter C suitable for outpatient use., whereas catheter -K is not.

With extension 68, the patient can see connector 24 over his chin so that he can connect and disconnect the oxygen supply ea'sily and can periodically remove the catheter for cleaning.

oxygen is delivered at very low pressures, such as below 2 psi and at low f low rates, which are usually 50% or less than that which is required with a cannula .

Of course, the catheter is only for use by a spontane ously breathing outpatient. Individuals who require more than 3 liters per minute by transtracheal catheter either at rest or during exercise can receive up to 6 8 1/min. with the catheter of the present inventions.

it can be seen from this chart that with the same flow

rates in liters per minute for the 16 gauge catheter and the catheter of the present invention, blood oxygenation is improved for the described device. The nasal cannulae is clearly not as effective as the transtracheal catheters of the present invention even if operated at higher flow rates. Thus, a substantial savings can be obtained from reduced oxygen use while providing active patients with better blood gas values during the therapy. Used on a long-term basis, this difference in efficiency should produce even more advantages...

...of useful life.

From the foregoing, the advantages of this invention are readily apparent. A transtracheal catheter has been provided which is safe and comfortable for a spontaneously breathing patient and can be installed in a doctor's office on an outpatient basis without requiring hospitalization. A method of installation is provided whereby the transtracheal catheter may be inserted under a local anesthetic,, with the patient remaining ambulatory. Because of its small size, insertion can be accomplished with no risk of severing a.-Li artery. The transtracheal catheter iso armored so that the possibility of kinking and crushing' is min imized to assure a continuous supply of oxygen to the patient, Furthermore, i@ is convenient for the device to be removed by the patient for cleaning and reinsertion. Disconnection and reconnection of the oxygen supply is facilitated by the extension of the external end, The constant flow of low pressure oxygen into the collapsed airways of emphysema patients helps hold the bronchial tubes open to improve the function of the lungs and reduce the work of breathing.

The above-described **method** is accomplished by the use of devices which are provided in a first, second and...

...which

is passed over the guide wire and used to enlarge the tract; and a stent to replace the dilator. A second kit is provided which includes a temporary catheter which replaces the stent and remains in place for a period of several weeks while healing of the tract is completed; a cleaning rod f or cleaning the temporary catheter; the third kit includes a removable,, f inal catheter which replaces the temporary catheter af ter the healing is complete and a cleaning rod. An important feature of this method is that it allows a small catheter to be inserted by using an even smaller needle to f o--@ a tract which is subsequently dilated. The prior art , on the other hand, requires either a large needle for a smaller catheter or a large tract for a large tracheotomy tube to resuscitate a non-breathing patient. I The f irst kit is an Insertion Tray that provides all the supplies less sterile gloves and facial tissue necessary to create a tract for the transtracheal

catheters of the present invention. The paper drape around the tray may be opened to serve as a Mayo stand cover. The Insertion Tray has two tiers. The upper preparatory Tier should be used clean and provides the supplies for punc@ure site selection; local anesthesia and skin preparation. The Lower and second Procedure Tier should be used sterile and provides the supplies to create a catheter tract and stabilize the stenting device.

The upper tier will preferably contain a surgical marking...11cm; 10 French \times 15 cm tissue dilator marked at 8cm; Lubafax packet; 9 French **stent**; Disposable needle holder; Disposable scissor; 3-0 Nylon suture on FS-1 needle; and a H bandage.

The Insertion Tray therefore provides all the supplies less sterile gloves and facial tissue necessary to create a tract for the 'transtracheal catheters.

Most of the items included in the tray are commercially available and are gathered in an orderly sequence for the convenience of the physician.

MANUFACTURERS OF INSERTION TRAY COMPONENTS Surgical Marking Pen Devon Industries Chatsworth, CA 91311 Stainless Steel bead chain McMaster...

...constructed as de
 scribed, with biocompatible materials where necessary,
 For example, the temporary and permanent catheters are
 3 5 preferably const-ructed as described from medical grade
 polyurethane which is coated...
...which are exposed to tracheal secretions.

The polymer provides a lubricious surface for ease of insertion and removal. The polymer, also minimizes adherence of mucous to the catheter , The bevel of the tip of temporary and permanent catheters , and the side ports of the permanent catheter direct oxygen away from the tracheal mucosa toward the center of the air column in the trachea...taper connector is a feature which will rdsult in a safety dis@onnect rather than catheter dislodgement in the event of an excessive pull on the proximal end of the Oxygen Hose , The Cleaning Rod is designed to remove debris as it is passed through the lumen of either the temporary or permanent catheter, The length is preferably 5mm longer than the catheter ., and over-insertion or loss down the catheter is prevented by the 2cm handle which is at a 90' angle and the small cap at the end of the handle.

Both, the temporary and permanent **catheters** of the present invention are most preferably 8 French rein forced **tubes** made of medical grade clear polyurethane with nylon coil spring reinforcement and approximately 20cm (7...

...means or security flange is most preferably made of Kraton or polyethylene, and is clear.

Procedure

Candidates for this procedure should demonstrate a therapy by having arterial need for chronic oxygen blood gases analysis of PaO 2 of less than-55 Torr and a SaO2 analysis of less than 90% on room air during appropriate medical therapy . The use of transtracheal oxygen of f ers the patient greater mobility,, improved cosmesis, and avoidance of nasal irritation by cannulae . Patients who are inadequately oxygenated with nasal cannulae or 16 gauge transtracheal may benef it from better oxygenation with the catheter of the present invention, The recommended pre- puncture evaluations should identify individuals for whom oxygen therapy is contraindicated and transtracheal others who require special considerations in the course of treatment.

The **Puncture** Tedhnique uses an 18 gauge needle wire guide and dilator to stretch an opening into the trachea with minimal discomfort. About one hour before the **puncture**, the patient is given is given oral prophylactic antibiotic with a sip of water. If...

...patient removes his top and puts on a hospital gown. He is seated in a procedure chair with a head restt and the head is elevated slightly to reproduce the position of the neck, while looking in a mirror during catheter changes. oxygen is continued throughout the procedure, but cannulae are repositioned so that they arrive from behind the head and do not interfere with the anterior neck. The Insertion Tray is removed from its plastic bag and placed on a Mayo stand at chest level in front of the patient. The paper wrapping is opened fully to act as...trapezius muscles, and the intersection of the cervical trachea and necklace is marked for subsequent puncture . The highest acceptable puncture should be the tracheal interspace immedi ately below the cricoid cartilage (cricotracheal ligament),, and the ...

...the manubrium. occasionally a less snug necklade will be required to reach a low cricotracheal puncture site, A second length of bead chain is included for occasions

...is removed and placed in a labeled envelope for later use, The skin over the punctur4 `site is prepared T@dth an alcohol swab without removing the orientation marks.

The prefilled...

when the first is...

...cough, bad taste and globus sensation caused by the local anesthetic. The needle is passed

transtracheally at the puncture site, and the remainder of local anesthetic q@.ickly deposited onto the tracheal mucosao A...

...is preferred to various iodophors because it is nonstaining and better suited for this outpatient **procedure**, The skin is then blotted dry with gauze so that the **procedure** drape will stick to the skin. The upper Preparatory Tier is then removed f rom...

...sterile. Surgical gloves are put on, and the Steri-Drape is applied to the upper chest at the level of the clavicles.

A 1 cm vertical incision centered at the **puncture** site is made with a #15 scalpel. Gauze sponge is held in the palm of...After one minute of stretching, the dilator is removed and exchanged for the 9 French **stent**, **Insertion** of the **stent** is facilitated by a small amount of water soluble Jelly on its tip and J...

...guide is then removed.

The disposable needle holder and scissor are used to suture the **stent** to the skin with 3-0 nylon suture.

Sutures can be placed through each of 2 eyelets on a flange of the stent taking care not to close the midline incision. - The skin and lumen of the stent should remain open to minimize the risk of subcutaneous emphysema. The H-bandage is then applied taking similar care not to create an occlusive dressing* The patient is sent to the radiology department for posteroanterior and lateral chest xrays to document catheter position and absence of pneumothorax and subcutaneous emphysema. Nasal cannulae oxygen is continued during the stent week, and oxygen should not be administered through the stent , Significant bleeding has not been observed because the method is relatively atraumatic, Because the stent functions as a drain, bacterial infection of the tract has not been observed.

After one week of stenting, the temporary trans tracheal catheter is inserted by the physician over a wire guide, and transtracheal oxygen therapy is begun.

The temporary catheter is designed to remain in place during the early weeks of transtracheal oxygen therapy when the tract is maturing. The catheter is cleaned in place using the Cleaning Rod and steril4 saline.' The kink and crush resistant Oxygen Hose adapts standard oxygen sources to the catheter, Inadvertent decannulation is protected against by the suspender-type security clip which attaches to...

...or dress and the 2 pound safety release of the Luer taper connector between the hose and the catheter, In summary, the durometer values, i.e. about 80-90,, selected for the final configurations of the temporary and permanent catheters of the present invention are desirable and indeed necessary for proper insertion and long-term patient comfort. In this regard, the spacing for the location of the holes of the distal end of the permanent catheter are preselected, within the range of orientation described, to retain a sufficient flexibility and stiffness to facilitate proper insertion, removal and cleaning! as well as enabling proper orientation, when in place, in order to achieve the benefits described herein. The 8 French size of the temporary and permanent catheters is the most preferred size since tests have shown that it is the smallest diameter compatible with back pressure limits, for a preselected range of oxygen flow rates.

Claim

le An apparatus for supplying supplemental oxygen to a patient f rom a portable supply of oxygen which is capable of being carried by such patient, and which oxygen is capable of being introduced uniformly into both of the lungs of such atient on a continuous

long term daily basis by conduction of supplemental oxygen into the cervical trachea through a catheter .disposed in the trachea in a downwardly extending position in the trachea with a distal end portion of such catheter - located in the trachea immediately above the carina and configured to promote adequate mixing of the oxygen introduced with the air from a normally breathing patient, the catheter apparatus comprising: elongated flexible tube means having a durometer of from about 80 to about 90 and a length sufficient...

...end portion
outwardly of the neck for attachment of the
proximate end portion to a tube connected to a
portable supply of oxygen carried by the person;
the tube means of said catheter having a
continuous smooth cylindrical outer peripheral
surface and a lumen having a continuous smooth...

...3 * 0 millimeters and an
.inside diameter of between 1,7 and 2,5
millimeters;

oxygen outlet opening means at the distal end
portion of the tubular means including a
downwardly and generally anteriorly facing end
opening of the same diameter as said continuous
 oxygen passage means when said tube means is in
place in the trachea, and said distal end portion
of said tube means additionally containing a
plurality of openings located in predetermined
spaced relationship above said end...

...said sidewall and facing generally forwardly toward the anterior portion of

the trachea for supplying oxygen only in a f orwardly f acing direction whereby rearward f low of oxygen %toward the posterior portion 6f the trachea is limited to prevent mucosal damage; said tube means additionally containing reinforcement means for maintaining a constant lumen cross-section in at least a portion of said tube means by resisting restriction of said central passage means in order to maintain said continuous constant diameter of said central passage means during oxygen therapy use; and said tube means also preferably being provided with hydrophilic coating means on at least the distal end... ...of mucous-type materials present in the trachea which would otherwise restrict the flow of oxygen through said tube means. , The invention as defined in claim 1 and further comprising: inclined end surf ace...and said elliptical end opening facing forwardly toward the front of the trachea for directing oxygen toward the front of the trachea while restricting oxygen flow 'toward the back of the 3e The invention as defined in claim 2... ... substantially midway between the opposite side surface portions of said tubular means; and said intermediate oxygen openings being located at approximately between 301 to 60' on either side of said end opening whereby oxygen is delivered along a forwardly facing arcuate supply zone having an included angle of between... ...means extending around the neck of the person for holding said tubular means; a first tube locating and connection means on said attachment means and a second tube location and connection means on the proximate end portion of said tube means for supportively connecting said tube means to said strap means and for locating said end port and said side ports in said oxygen supply position. 5* A system for providing a continuous supple mental supply of low pressure oxygen at a relatively low flow rate to a person having chronic hypoxemia from a portable low pressure oxygen container carried on the body of the person which comprises: an elongated transtracheal tube means having an elongated continuous constant diameter central passage means extending between an oxygen inlet opening means at a proximate end portion of said transtracheal tube means and an oxygen outlet opening means at a distal end portion of. said transtracheal tube means, for mounting on and into the body of a person by insertion of said distal end pQrti6n into the trachea of the person through an insertion opening #in the skin of the person located in the cervical trachea of the person for

supplying oxygen to the person;

a locating attachment means f ixedly mounted on an intermediate portion of said transtracheal tube means for locating said transtracheal means relative to the insertion opening in the skin by abutting engagement with the skin circum jacent the insertion opening in the skin and for separating said transtracheal tube means into an elongated subcutaneous tubular means portion, including said distal end portion located on one side of said locating/abutment means for mounting in the trachea and for further separating said tracheal tube means into an external tubular means portion, including said proximate end portion, for connection to the oxygen supply; said subcutaneous tubular means 'portion having a length between said locating/abutment means and said distal end portion such as to locate said oxygen discharge opening means in the trachea below the cricoid cartilage in upwardly spaced relationship to...length between said attachment means and said proximate end portion such as to space said oxygen inlet means a sufficient distance away from the tract in the skin to enable flexible displacement of said external means relative to said attachment means without causing displacement of said subcutaneous tubular means portion; said attachment means including neck support means for mounting around the neck...

...for connection to said attachment means and for holding said attachment means proximate to the insertion openi4g in the skin; a coupling means on said proximate end portion of said oxygen supply transtracheal tube means for releasable connection to said oxygen supply means; and an external oxygen supply tube means for mounting on the body of the person and having disconnectible coupling means for coupling said external oxygen supply tube means to said trans oxygen supply tube means whereby oxygen can be supplied to said transtracheal oxygen supply tube means.

6 A first kit for use in the placement of a percutaneous small bore, transtracheal catheter for transtracheal, low flow, low pressure oxygen delivery to a spontaneous breathing patient with chronic hypoxemia, said first kit comprising: a hypodermic needle having a diameter'smaller than that of the catheter to be inserted for forming an initial tract through the trachea of the patient and injecting an anesthetic...

...portion with a proximate end, said guide wire being sized to be capable of being inserted through said needle to maintain the tract after said needle is withdrawn over said proximate...

...distal end than its proximate end, and having a diameter that is larger than the **catheter** to be **inserted**, and has a central passageway for reception of said dilator over said guide wire so...

...into the tract to enlarge or dilate the opening by stretching the tissue; and a stent . having a tubular body tnade of semi rigid material with an outside diameter slightly less than the diameter of said the dilator but larger than the diameter of the catheter to be inserted , so that it can be inserted through the enlarged tract into the trachea the length of said stent being such that the distal end thereof is positioned in the trachea just above the carina.

- 7 A second kit comprising: a temporary **catheter** made of a flexible material having a predetermined flexibility and having a tubular body with...
- ...as said distal end
 portion, a first end connection for attachment to
 a supply of oxygen, said proximate end portion
 being of sufficient length that said end
 connection can be seen by the patient for
 connecting and disconnecting the oxygen supply
 when said temporary catheter is in place, and an
 attaching means connected to said temporary
 catheter at the juncture of said proximate and
 distal end portions for connection to said
 fastening means to hold said temporary catheter in
 place;
 a cleaning rod having a body member having a
 preselected length compared to said temporary
 - a cleaning rod having a body member having a preselected length compared to said temporary catheter and having an outside diameter slightly less than the inside diameter of said temporary catheter which is capable of expelling mucosa build-up in the lumen of said temporary catheter for periodic cleaning of said temporary catheter by disconnecting the oxygen supply and inserting said cleaning rod through said end connection.
 - 8 'A third kit comprising: a removable,'final catheter of identical size as said temporary catheter andifurther including a plurality of spaced openings in said lower body adjacent the distal end...
- ...thereof to prevent leakage at the surface of the neck and to promote mixing of **oxygen** discharged through said openings with air inhaled by the patient during regular breathing, while maintaining...
- ...end to indicate to the physician the proper depth to

which the dilator should be inserted in the opening in the trachea; and said dilator has an outside diameter of 10...

...A first kit, as claimed in claim 1, wherein the attaching means connected to said stent includes: a flange surrounding said tubular body adjacent said proximate end; and J a pair of spaced apertures f or relceiving said fastening means to secure said stent in position.

12 A second kit, as claimed in claim -2, wherein said temporary catheter includes: a tapered distal end which is longer on the posterior side for directing a stream of oxygen introduced through said temporary catheter away from the mucosa on the posterior side of the trachea; and a cleaning rod.

13 A third kit, as claimed in claim 2, wherein said final catheter includes: a tapered distal end which is longer on the posterior side for directing a stream of oxygen introduced through said final catheter away from the mucosa on the posterior side of the trachea. , A third kit, as...about the midline of the anterior side of said distal end. 17 A large bore transtracheal catheter for providing low flow, low pressure oxygen deLivery to a spontaneously breathing patients requiring supplemental oxygen therapy , said catheter comprising: an elongated tubular body made of a medical grade flexible material having: a proximate...

...on the proximate end of said proximate end of said proximate portion for connecting said catheter to a low flow, low pressure source of oxygen, said proximate portion being of sufficient length that said connector can be seen by the patient for connecting and disconnecting the oxygen supply when said catheter is in place; a distal portion formed integrally with and of a preselected length for...

...just above the carina with a longer portion thereof on the posterior side for directing oxygen away from the mucosa and substantially uniformly into the bronchi; attaching means at the juncture of said proximate portion and said distal portion for holding said catheter in place; and said attaching means including fastening means extendible around the patient's neck to secure the catheter in place.

18 A catheter, as claimed in claim 12, further including:
a thin wall of flexible plastic material;
reinforcing...

...protect against collapsing and kinking of the central lumen of said tubular body. 19e A catheter, as claimed in claim 18, further including: a plurality of openings in said wall between...

...about said
 periphery of said distal end only on the anterior
 side thereof.
 20 A catheter , as claimed in claim 19, wherein:
 said plurality of openings are spaced both
 longitudinally and peripherally.
 21a A catheter , as claimed in claim 19, wherein:
 said plurality of openings are spaced periph
 erally through...

...in either direction about the midline of the anterior side of said distal end.

* A method of inserting a transtracheal catheter into the trachea of a spontaneously breathing patient with chronic hypoxemia, said method comprising the steps of: infiltrating the soft tissue overlying the cervical trachea; advancing a hypodermic...

...the trachea to form a
 tract;
 injecting local anesthesia into the trachea
 through the needle;
 inserting a guide wire through the needle;
 removing the needle over the guide wire;
 inserting a tissue dilator over the guide
 wire and through the tract ...for a sufficient period
 of time to enlarge the tract by stretching the
 surrounding tissue;
 inserting a stent over the guide wire through*
 the tract to maintain the tract during healling;
 and
 removal of guide wire; and
 securing the stent in place in the tract.

23 A method, as claimed in claim 22, including the further steps of: removing the stent from the tract after initial healing has occurred; inserting a transtracheal catheter through the enlarged tract; and connecting a supply of low pressure, low flow oxygen to the transtracheal catheter.

24 A method, as claimed in claim 22, including the further steps of: attaching a syringe, which contains the local

anesthetic! to the needle prior to insertion; and removing the syringe from the needle after injection of the anesthetic into the trachea.

25 A method, as claimed in claim 23, including the further steps of: securing the catheter around the patient's neck after insertion against movement.

26 A method ,, as claimed in claim 23, wherein said transtracheal catheter is a temporary catheter ,, including the further steps of: disconnecting the supply of oxygen from the temporary catheter; removing the temporary catheter after the tract in the trachea has healed; inserting a final catheter through the tract and into the trachea, which final catheter can be removed by the patient for short periods of time for cleaning; and reconnecting the supply of oxygen to the permanent catheter.

27 A method , as claimed in claim 2.3, wherein: the needle is an 18 gauge thin wall...

...of the dilator is approximately 10
French by 15 cm long;
the size of the stent is approximately 9
French by 11 cm long; and
the size of both the temporary catheter and
the final catheter is approximately 8 French
having a total length of about 20 cm, with a lower
distal end which is about 11 cm long for insertion
through the tract and into the trachea 'and an
upper proximate end which is 9 cm long to
facilitate connection and disconnection of oxygen
by the patient.
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English Abstract

The present invention comprises compounds, compositions thereof, and methods capable of delivering a broad range of anionic molecules to the cytoplasm of mammalian cells. In certain embodiments, the present invention relates to compounds, compositions thereof, and methods that enhance the ability of mammalian red blood cells to deliver oxygen , by delivering a ligand for the allosteric site of hemoglobin to the cytoplasm of the...

Detailed Description

... beginupon receipt of that report. ning of each regular issue of the PCT Gazette.

Enhanced Oxygen Delivery in Mammals, Methods and Reagents Related Thereto Related Applications This application claims the benefit of priority to United...

...25, 1999.

Background of the Invention 1schemia Ischemic insult, i.e., the localized deficiency of oxygen to an organ or skeletal tissue, is a common and important problem in many clinical...

...organ is removed from a body, isolated from a blood source, and thereby deprived of oxygen and nutrients for an extended period of time.

Ischemic insult also occurs in certain clinical...

- ...response to infection (tachycardia, tachypnea alterations in temperature and leukocytosis) and those related to organ- system dysfunction (cardiovascular, respiratory, renal, hepatic and hematologic abnormalities). Furthermore, the lipopolysaccharide (LPS) of gram-negative...
- ...hemoglobinopathy with hemoglobin S instead of normal hemoglobin A. Sickle cell anemia is associated with hypoxia because of decreased oxygen tension with hemoglobin S. This condition leads to a systemic hypoxic condition. The viscosity of...
- ...blood supply to the myocardium (the muscles of the heart) to meet its demand for **oxygen**. The ultimate result of persistent myocardial ischernia is necrosis or death of a portion of...
- ...blockage or rupture, part of the brain fails to get the supply of blood and **oxygen** that it requires. Brain tissue that receives an inadequate supply of blood is said to be ischemic. Deprived of **oxygen** and nutrients, nerve cells and other cell types within the brain begin to fail, creating...
- ...a catastrophic stroke or heart attack results.

 Hemozlobin

 Hemoglobin is a tetrameric protein which delivers oxygen via an allosteric mechanism.

Oxygen binds to the four hemes of the hemoglobin molecule. Each heme contains porphyrin and iron in the ferrous state. The ferrous iron-oxygen bond is readily reversible. Binding of the first oxygen to a heme releases much greater energy than binding of the second oxygen molecule, io binding of the third oxygen releases even less energy, and binding of the fourth oxygen releases the least energy.

In blood, hemoglobin ...tense) state, hemoglobin is deoxygenated. In the "R" (for relaxed) state, hemoglobin is oxygenated. An oxygen equilibrium curve can be scanned to observe the affinity and degree of cooperativity (allosteric action...

- ...plots the percent of hemoglobin oxygenation and the X-axis plots the partial pressure of oxygen in millimeters of mercury (mm Hg). If a horizontal line is drawn from the 50% oxygen saturation point to the scanned curve and a vertical line is drawn from the intersection...
- ...is the pressure in mm Hg when the scanned hemoglobin sample is 50% saturated with oxygen). Under physiological conditions (i.e., 37 C, pH = 7.4, and partial carbon dioxide pressure...
- ...tested, the scanned curve is considered to be "left-shifted" and the presence of high **oxygen** -affinity hemoglobin is indicated. Conversely, if a higher than normal P50 value is obtained for...

...tested, the scanned curve is considered to be "right-shifted", indicating the presence of low oxygen -affinity hemoglobin.

It has been proposed that influencing the allostenic equilibrium of hemoglobin is a...

- ...to have general utility in a variety of disease states where tissues suffer from low **oxygen** tension, such as ischemia and radio sensitization of tumors. Several synthetic compounds have been identified
- ...the allosteric regulation of hemoglobin and other proteins. For example, 3 several new compounds and **methods** for treating sickle cell anemia which involve the allosteric regulation of hemoglobin are reported in... ...pp. 163-164, and Lalezari et al., "LRI6, a compound with potent effects
 - on the **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin, on blood cholesterol, and on low density lipoprotein", Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci...
- ...known I O antihyperlipoproteinemia drug, bezafibrate, is capable of lowering the affinity of hemoglobin for **oxygen** (See "Bezafibrate lowers **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin", Lancet 1983, 88 1).

Human normal adult hemoglobin ("I-IbA") is a...

...iron atom is susceptible to oxidation, but may be reduced again by one of two **systems** within the erythrocyte, the cytochrome b5, and glutathione reduction **systems**.

Hemoglobin is able to alter its **oxygen** affinity, thereby increasing the efficiency of **oxygen** transport in the body due to its dependence on 2,3-DPG, an allosteric regulator...

- ...3-DPG is present within erythrocytes at a concentration that facilitates hemoglobin to release bound **oxygen** to tissues. Naturally-occurring hemoglobin includes any hemoglobin identical to hemoglobin naturally existing within a...
- ...by humans. The naturally-occurring hemoglobin of the present invention is not limited by the **methods** by which it is produced. Such **methods** typically include, for example, erythrocytolysis and purification, recombinant production, and protein synthesis.

It is known...

...237, p. 146, 1972).

The binding of these polyanionic molecules is important in regulating the oxygen -binding affinity of hemoglobin since it allosterically affects the conformation of hemoglobin leading to a decrease in oxygen affinity (Benesch and Benesch, Biochern. Biophys. Res. Comm., Vol. 26, p.

162, 1967). Conversely, the binding of **oxygen** allosterically reduces the affinity of hemoglobin for the polyanion. (Oxy) hemoglobin therefore binds DPG and...

...exploit the polyanion-binding specificity of hemoglobin, or indeed to perform any adjustment of its oxygen -binding affinity by chemically modifying the polyanion binding site, it has been necessary in the...5 difficult to maintain hemoglobin solutions in the deoxy state, (deoxy) hemoglobin, throughout a chromatographic procedure. Because of

these difficulties, the **technique** of affinity chromatography has not been used in the prior art to purify hemoglobin.

Hemoglobin...

- ...S. Pat. No. 5,296,466), during the perioperative period or during surgery in a method for maintaining a steady-state hemoglobin concentration in a patient (WO 95/03068), and as part of a perioperative hernodilution procedure used prior to surgery in an autologous blood use method (U.S. Pat. Nos. 5,344,393 and 5,451,205). When a patient suffers a trauma (i.e., a wound or injury) resulting, for example, from surgery, an invasive medical procedure, or an accident, the trauma disturbs the patient's horneostasis. The patient's body biologically...
- ...Oxy en-Affinity ofHemoglobin , gThe major function of erythrocytes consists in the transport of molecular **oxygen** from the lungs to the peripheral tissues. The erythrocytes contain a high concentration of hemoglobin...
- ...partial 5 pressure in the lung is about. 1 00 mm Hg, in the capillary system is about.70 mm Hg, against which 0, must be dissociated from the oxygenated hemoglobin...
- ...the hemoglobin-0, adduct with simultaneous conservation of the highest possibleO2partial pressure in the capillary system .
 - 2,3-Diphosphoglycerate increases the half-saturation pressure of stripped hemoglobin at pH 7.4 fromp(02) (1/2)=9.3 mm Hg (37 Q, and 4.3 mm Hg (25 Q to P(02) (1/2)=23.7 mm Hg (37 Q, and 12.0 mm Hg (25 Q...
- ...21 I221) isolated from vegetal tissues. Binding of IHP to hemoglobin increases theo2halfsaturation pressure top(02) (1/2)=96.4 mm Hg (37 C.), andp(02) (1/2)=48.4 mm Hg (25 C.), respectively. IHP, like 2,3-diphosphoglycerate and other polyphosphates cannot penetrate the erythrocyte membrane.

Furthermore, the depletion of DPG and ATP in stored red cells leads to a progressive increase of the **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin contained therein (Balcerzak, S. et al. (1972) Adv.

Exp. Med. Biol. 28...

...half-saturation pressure. The end point of the progressive polyphosphate depletion is defined by P(02) (1/2)=4.2 mm Hg, which is the half-saturation pressure of totally phosphate-free (stripped) hemoglobin; the starting point, i.e., P(02) (1/2) of fresh erythrocytes, depends on the composition of the suspending medium. From these...

...solution.

Several years ago, it was discovered that the antilipidernic drug clofibric acid lowered the **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin solutions (Abraham et al., J. Med. Chem. 25, 1015 (1982), and Abraham...

- ...Bezafibrate, another antilipidemic drug, was later found to be much more effective in lowering the **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin solutions and suspensions of fresh, intact red cells (Perutz et al., Lancet...
- ...at stabilizing the deoxy structure of hemoglobin and shiffing the allosteric equilibrium toward the low oxygen affinity form (Lalezari,

Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.

USA 850 6117 (1988)).

Drugs which can allosterically modify hemoglobin toward a lower **oxygen** affinity state hold potential for many clinical applications, such as for the treatment of ischernia...been considerable interest in medicine, the military health services, and the pharmaceutical industry in finding **methods** to increase **oxygen** delivery in **vivo** for ischemic insults, stroke, and trauma; to increase blood storage life; to discover radio sensitization...

- ...availability of either autologous blood or recombinant Hb solutions is of major interest, provided the **oxygen** affinity can be decreased to enhance **oxygen** delivery to the tissues.
 - 2,3-Diphosphoglycerate (2,3-DPG) is the normal physiological ligand...
- ...is unable to pass unassisted across the erythrocyte membrane.

Enhanced Oxwen Delivea in Mamnials
The therapy of oxygen deficiencies requires the knowledge of parameters which characterize both the 0, transport capacity and the...

- ...0, half-saturation pressure of Hb and RBCs, and the amounts of high and low **oxygen** affinity hemoglobins in RBCs, are not routinely determined and were not given serious consideration until...
- ...6898) reported that the encapsulation in red blood io cells (RBCs) of IHP, via a **technique** of controlled lysis and resealing, results in a significant decrease in the hemoglobin affinity for **oxygen**. The **procedure** yielded RBCs with unchanged life spans, normal ATP and K+ levels, and normal rheological competence...
- ...US Patent 5,612,207) reported the use of a large-volume, continuous-flow electroporation **system** for the encapsulating IHP in human RBCs. These modified RBCs possess P50 values of approximately...
- ...roughly twice that of unmodified human RBCs. Additionally, 85% of the RBCs survived the electroporation **process**, displaying hematologic indices nearly identical to those of unmodified RBCs. Nicolau's electroporation **system processes** one unit of blood every ninety minutes.
- Recific Clinical Applications of Enhanced OUgen Deliverv
 There are numerous clinical conditions that would benefit from treatments that would increase tissue delivery of oxygen bound to hemoglobin. For example, the leading cause of death in the United States today...
 ...myocardial infarction, stroke, intermittent claudication, and sickle cell anemia, result from an insufficient supply of oxygen in fluids that bathe the tissues. Likewise, the acute loss of blood following hemorrhage, traumatic injury, or surgery results in decreased oxygen supply to vital organs. Without oxygen, tissues at sites distal to the heart, and even the heart itself, cannot produce enough energy to sustain their 8 normal functions. The result of oxygen deprivation is tissue death and organ failure.

Although the attention of the American public has...

...in alcohol consumption, deaths continue to occur at an alarming rate.

Since death results from oxygen deprivation, which in turn results in tissue destruction and/or organ dysfunction, one approach to...

...congestive heart failure.

Another condition which could benefit from an increase in the delivery of **oxygen** to the tissues is anemia. A significant portion of hospital patients experience anemia or a...

....number of heterologous transfusions and allow use of autologous transftisions in more case. The current **method** for treatment of anemia or replacement of blood loss is transfusion of whole human blood... heterologous blood.

Because IHP-treated RBCs may release up to 2-3 times as much **oxygen** as untreated red cells, in many cases, a physician will need to transfuse fewer units...

...also advantageous when the patients blood - 9 volume is excessive. In more severe cases, where **oxygen** transport is failing, the ability to improve rapidly a patient's tissue oxygenation is life saving.

Although it is evident that methods of enhancing oxygen delivery to tissues have potential medical applications, currently there are no methods clinically available for increasing tissue delivery of oxygen bound to hemoglobin. Transient, 6 to 12 hour elevations of oxygen deposition have been described in experimental animals using either DPG or molecules that are precursors of DPG. The natural regulation of DPG synthesis in vivo and its relatively short biological half-life, however, limit the DPG concentration and the duration of increased tissue PO2, and thus limit its therapeutic usefulness.

Additionally, as reported in Genetic Engineering News, Vol. 12, No. 6, Apr. 15, 1992, several groups are attempting to engineer free oxygen carrying hemoglobin as a replacement for human blood. Recombinant, genetically modified human hemoglobin that does...

- ...down in the body and that can readily release up to 30% of its bound oxygen is currently being tested by Somatogen, Inc., of Boulder Colo. While this product could be...
- ...surgery, it would not be effective to increase PO2 levels in ischernic tissue, since its **oxygen** release capacity is equivalent to that of natural hemoglobin (2730%). As are all recombinant products, this synthetic hemoglobin is also likely to be a costly **therapeutic**.

Synthetic human hemoglobin has also been produced in neonatal pigs by injection of human genes... $\,$

...less expensive product than the Somatogen synthetic hemoglobin, but it does not solve problems with **oxygen** affinity and breakdown of hemoglobin in the body.

Summary of the Invention The present invention relates to compositions, and **methods** of use thereof, consisting essentially of a cationic, lipophilic, water-soluble molecule (e.g., a...

...related to compounds and compositions thereof which deliver into erythrocytes allosteric modifiers of hemoglobin in **vivo**. Additionally, the invention is directed to the use of the compounds or compositions

The present invention provides a novel method for increasing the oxygen -carrying capacity of erythrocytes. In accordance with the method of the present invention, the IHP combines with hemoglobin in a stable way, and shifts its oxygen releasing capacity.

Erythrocytes with IHP-hemoglobin can release more oxygen per molecule than hemoglobin alone, and thus more oxygen is available to diffuse into tissues for each unit of blood that circulates. Injected in vivo, IHP is toxic and cannot be tolerated as an ordinary drug.

Another advantage of IHP...

- ...when stored. Normal red blood cells that have been stored do not regain their maximum **oxygen** carrying capacity in circulation for approximately 24 hours. This is because the DPG present in...
- ...transfusion. In contrast, red blood cells treated according to the present invention retain their maximum oxygen carrying capacity during storage and therefore can deliver oxygen to the tissues in response to demand immediately after transfusion into a human or animal...
- ...attack), stroke, peripheral vascular disease, intermittent 12 claudication, circulatory shock, hemorrhagic shock, anemia and chronic hypoxia, respiratory alkalemia, metabolic alkalosis, sickle cell anemia, reduced lung capacity caused by pneumonia, surgery, pneumonia, trauma, chest puncture, gangrene, anaerobic infections, blood vessel diseases such as diabetes, substitute or complement to treatment with...
- ...in every respect except that their P50 value is shifted towards higher partial pressures of O2. Erythrocytes release oxygen only in response to demand by organs and tissue. Therefore, the compounds, compositions thereof, and methods of the present invention will only restore a normal level of oxygenation to healthy tissue, avoiding the cellular damage that is associated with an over-abundance of oxygen.

Because the compounds, compositions, and methods of the present invention are capable of allosterically modifying hemoglobin to favor the low oxygen affinity "T" state (i.e., right shifting the equilibrium curve), they will be useful in treating a variety of disease states in mammals, including humans, wherein tissues suffer from low oxygen tension, such as cancer and ischernia. Furthermore, as disclosed by Hirst et al. (Radiat. Res., Vol. 1 1 2, (1987), pp. 164), decreasing the oxygen affinity of hemoglobin in circulating blood has been shown to be beneficial in the radiotherapy...

- ...compounds and compositions may be administered to patients in whom the affinity of hemoglobin for oxygen is abnormally high. For example, certain hemoglobinopathies, certain respiratory distress syndromes, e.g., respiratory distress...
- ...infants aggravated by high fetal hemoglobin levels, and conditions in which the availability of hemoglobin/ oxygen to the tissues is decreased (e.g., in ischernic conditions such as peripheral vascular disease...
- ...of storage or at the time of transfusion in order to facilitate the dissociation of **oxygen** from hemoglobin and improve the **oxygen** delivering capability of the blood. When blood is stored, the hemoglobin in the blood tends to increase its affinity for **oxygen** by losing

thereof that are effective in delivering into erythrocytes allostenic modifiers of hemoglobin, lowering the <code>oxygen</code> affinity state in red blood cell suspensions and whole blood. It is an object of this invention to provides <code>methods</code> for delivering into erythrocytes allosteric modifiers of hemoglobin in whole blood and - I 0 in <code>vivo</code>, utilizing compounds or compositions thereof that do not lose their effectiveness in the presence of...

...allosteric site of hemoglobin interact with the hemoglobin molecule and impact its ability to bind <code>oxygen</code>. This invention is particularly concerned with the delivery into erythrocytes of ligands for the hemoglobin allosteric site, causing <code>oxygen</code> to be bound relatively less tightly to hemoglobin, such that <code>oxygen</code> is off-loaded from the hemoglobin molecule more easily.

The process of allosterically modifying hemoglobin towards a lower oxygen affinity state in whole blood and in vivo may be used in a wide variety of applications including treatments for ischernia, heart disease, wound healing, radiation therapy of cancer, and adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). Furthermore, a decrease in the oxygen affinity of hemoglobin in whole blood will extend its shelf-life, or restore the oxygen carrying capacity of aged blood.

Brief Description of the Figures Figure 1 presents a summary of certain experiments forming inositol hexaphosphatebisquanidinium cholesterol (IHP-BGTC) complexes.

Figure 2 depicts an Hb

02 dissociation curve in human RBCs after incubation with the IHP-BGTC system for 60 min. at room temperature [C,, = controls incubated with 1HP (I mM)DMF (3...

...IHP (2 mM) - BGTC (0.35 mM) - DMF (3%)].

Detailed Description of the Invention

The process of allosterically modifying hemoglobin towards a low oxygen affinity state in whole blood and in vivo could be used in a wide variety of applications including in treatments for ischernia, heart disease, wound healing, radiation therapy of cancer, adult respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), etc., in extending the shelf-life of blood or restoring the oxygen carrying capacity of out-dated blood, and as sensitizers for x-ray irradiation in cancer therapy, as well as in many other applications.

This invention is related to the use of allosteric hemoglobin modifier compounds in red 30 blood cell suspensions, in whole blood, and in **vivo** . Serum albumin, which is the most abundant protein in blood plasma, has been identified as...

...a patient's blood.

This invention relates to the incorporation of a wide variety of therapeutically useful substances into mammalian red blood ...without unacceptable losses of R.BC contents and/or integrity. More particularly, the compounds and methods of the present invention makes possible the introduction or incorporation of anionic agents into R...

...slow continuous delivery or targeted delivery when the treated RBC carrier is later injected in **vivo**. The particular polyanion to be selected can be based on whether an allosteric effector of hemoglobin would be desirable for a particular treatment.

- 2,3-diphosphoglycerides. As described above, the compounds and compositions of this invention...
- ...compositions may be added to whole blood or red blood cell fractions in a closed **system** using an appropriate reservoir in which the compound or composition is placed prior to storage...
- ...to individual's sensitivity and the type of disease state being treated.

Solid tumors are **oxygen** deficient masses. The compounds, compositions and **methods** of this invention may be exploited to cause more **oxygen** to be delivered to tumors, increasing radical formation and thereby increasing tumor killing during radiation...

...IHP-treated blood will only be used in conjunction with radiotherapy.

The compounds, compositions and **methods** of this invention may be exploited to cause more **oxygen** to be delivered at low blood flow and low temperatures, providing the ability to decrease...

...damage, e.g., myocardial or neuronal, typically associated with these conditions.

The compounds, compositions and methods of this invention may be exploited to decrease the number of red blood cells required for treating hemorrhagic shock by increasing the efficiency with which they deliver oxygen.

Damaged tissues heal faster when there is better blood flow and increased oxygen tension. Therefore, the compounds, compositions and methods of this invention may be exploited to speed wound healing. Furthermore, by increasing oxygen delivery to wounded tissue, the compounds, compositions and methods of this invention may play a role in the destruction of infection causing bacteria at a wound.

The compounds, compositions and methods of this invention will be effective in 30 enhancing the delivery oxygen to the brain, especially before complete occlusion and reperfusion injuries occur due to free radical formation. Furthermore, the compounds, compositions and methods of this invention of this invention should reduce the expansion of arterioles under both hypoxic and hypotensive conditions.

The compounds, compositions and methods of this invention of this invention should be -14 capable of increasing loxygen delivery to blocked arteries and surrounding muscles and tissues, thereby relieving the distress of angina...

...the hyaline membrane, proliferation of collagen fibers, and swollen epithelium with increased pinocytosis.

The enhanced **oxygen** delivering capacity provided to RBCs by the compounds, compositions and **methods** of this invention can be used in the treatment and prevention of ARDS by militating against lower than normal **oxygen** delivery to the lungs.

There are several aspects of cardiac bypass surgery that make attractive the use of compounds or compositions or **methods** of the present invention. First, the compounds and compositions of the present invention act as...

...function. Up to 5% of these patients have evidence of stroke. Second, cardioplegia is the **process** of stopping the heart and protecting the heart from ischernia during heart surgery.

Cardioplegia is...

- ...is dissolved in blood instead of salt water. During surgery the heart is deprived of oxygen and the cold temperature helps slow down metabolism. Periodically during this process, the heart is perfused with the cardioplegia solution to wash out metabolites and 20 reactive species. Cooling the blood increases the oxygen affinity of its hemoglobin, thus making oxygen unloading less efficient. However, treatment of blood cardioplegia with compounds or compositions of the present invention will counteract the effects of cold on oxygen affinity and make oxygen release to the ischernic myocardium more efficient, possibly improving cardiac function after the heart begins to beat again. Third, during bypass surgery the patient's blood is diluted for the process of pump prime. This hemodilution is essentially acute anemia. Because the compounds and compositions of the present invention make oxygen transport more efficient, their use during hemodilution (whether in bypass surgery or other surgeries, such...
- ...undergoing bypass surgery require blood transfusion after surgery. The use of compounds or compositions or **methods** of the present invention to make **oxygen** transport more efficient could obviate the need for transfusion, thus decreasing the cost of surgery...
- ...and chemically-modified hemoglobin. Such non-naturally-occurring mutant hemoglobin is not limited by its **method** of preparation, but is typically produced using one or more of several **techniques** known in the art, including, for example, recombinant DNA technology, transgenic DNA technology, protein synthesis, and other mutation-inducing **methods**. "Chemically-modified hemoglobin" is a natural or non-natural hemoglobin molecule which is bonded to...
- ...moiety. For example, a hemoglobin molecule can be bonded to pyridoxal-5'-phosphate, or other oxygen -affinity-modifying moiety to change the oxygen -binding characteristics of the hemoglobin molecule, to crosslinking agents to form crosslinked or polymerized hemoglobin, or to conjugating agents to form conjugated hemoglobin.
 - " Oxygen affinity" means the strength of binding of oxygen to a hemoglobin molecule.

20 High \mathbf{oxygen} affinity means hemoglobin does not readily release its bound \mathbf{oxygen} molecules.

The P50 is a measure of oxygen affinity.

"Cooperativity" refers to the sigmoidal **oxygen** -binding curve of hemoglobin, i.e., the binding of the first **oxygen** to one subunit within the tetrameric hemoglobin molecule enhances the binding of **oxygen** molecules to other unligated subunits. It is conveniently measured by the Hill coefficient (n[max]). For Hb A, n[max] = 3 The term "treatment" is intended to encompass also prophylaxis, **therapy** and cure.

"Ischemia" means a temporary or prolonged lack or reduction of **oxygen** supply to an organ or skeletal tissue. Ischernia can be induced when an organ is...

...by injection, and includes, without limitation, intravenous, intramuscular, intraarterial, intrathecal, intracapsular, intraorbital, intracardiac, intradermal, intraperitoneal, transtracheal, subcutaneous, subcuticular, intraarticulare, subcapsular, subarachnoid, intraspinal and intrasternal injection and infusion.

As used herein, the term "surgery" refers to the treatment of diseases, injuries, and deformities by manual or operative **methods**. Common surgical **procedures** include, but are not limited to, abdominal, aural, bench, cardiac. cineplastic, conservative, cosmetic, cytoreductive, dental...

- ...minor, Moh's, open heart, organ transplantation, orthopedic, plastic, psychiatric, radical, reconstructive, sonic, stereotactic, structural, thoracic, and veterinary surgery. The method of the present invention is suitable for patients that are to undergo any type of...
- ...those described above, as well as any type of any general, major, minor, or minimal invasive surgery.

"Minimally invasive surgery" involves puncture or incision of the skin, or insertion of an instrument or foreign material into the body. Non-limiting examples of minimal invasive surgery include arterial or venous catheterization, transurethral resection, endoscopy (e.g., laparoscopy, bronchoscopy, uroscopy, pharyngoscopy, cystoscopy, hysteroscopy, gastroscopy, coloscopy, colposcopy, celioscopy...

...the dose of a drug which is lethal in 50% of test subjects.

The term "therapeutic index" refers to the therapeutic index of a drug defined as LD50/ED50The phrases "systemic administration," "administered systemically," "peripheral administration...

- ...administration of a compound, drug or other material other than directly into the central nervous system, such that it 30 enters the patient's system and, thus, is subject to metabolism and other like processes, for example, subcutaneous administration.

 The term "structure-activity relationship (SAR)" refers to the way in which altering the...
- ...an atom of any element other than carbon or hydrogen. Preferred heteroatoins are boron, nitrogen, oxygen, phosphorus, sulftir and selenium.

The term "electron-withdrawing group" is recognized in the art, and... heteroaromatic moieties, -CF3, io CN, or the like. The term "aryl" also includes polycyclic ring systems having two or more cyclic rings in which two or more carbons are common to...or-X 11 RI

- 1 5 wherein X is a bond or represents an **oxygen** or a sulfur, and RI I represents a hydrogen, an alkyl, an alkenyl, -(CH2)m...
- ...CH2)m-R8, where in and R8 are as defined above. Where X is an **oxygen** and RI I or R'l I is not hydrogen, the formula represents an "ester". Where X is an **oxygen**, and RI I is as defined above, the moiety is referred to herein as a...
- ...RI I is a hydrogen, the formula represents a "carboxylic acid". Where X is an oxygen , and R'l I is hydrogen, the formula represents a

- "formate". In general, where the **oxygen** atom of the above formula is replaced by sulfur, the formula represents a "thiolcarbonyl" group...
- ...or "alkoxy" as used herein refers to an alkyl group, as defined above, having an oxygen radical attached thereto. Representative alkoxyl groups include methoxy, ethoxy, propyloxy, tert-butoxy and the like. An "ether" is two hydrocarbons covalently linked by an oxygen.

 Accordingly, the substituent of an alkyl that renders that alkyl an ether is or resembles...the compound. In general, the compounds of the present invention may be prepared by the methods illustrated in the general reaction schemes as, for example, described below, or by modifications thereof, using readily available starting materials, reagents and conventional synthesis procedures. In these reactions, it is also possible to make use of variants which are in...
- ...novel amidinium-bearing cholesterol derivatives and pharmaceutical compositions thereof, which are particularly useful in gene therapy for transferring therapeutic genes into cells. These io compounds combine the membrane compatible features of cholesterol with the...
- ...Acids to Cells", and WO 96/18372, "Cationic Amphiphiles and Plasmids for Intracellular Delivery of **Therapeutic** Molecules", describe compounds, compositions and **methods** for the delivery of anions into the cytoplasm of mammalian cells, based on the use...
- ...Furthermore, Dietrich et al. (J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1978, 934) have disclosed a general **method** for the introduction of guanidinium groups into macrocyclic molecules.

Synthetic "vectors", e.g., BGTC and...

...surfaces.

Several years ago, it was discovered that the antilipidemic drug clofibric acid lowered the **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin solutions (Abraham et al., J. Med. ...Bezafibrate, another antilipidernic drug, was later found to be much more effective in lowering the **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin solutions and suspensions of fresh, intact red cells (Perutz et al., Lancet...

- ...at stabilizing the deoxy structure of hemoglobin and shifting the allosteric equilibrium toward the low **oxygen** affinity form (Lalezari, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 85, 6117 (1988)). It has been determined...
- ...concentrations of effector will increase its ability to interact with hemoglobin, causing delivery of more oxygen .

Ligands for the allosteric site of hemoglobin include 2,3-diphosphoglycerate (DPG), inositol hexakisphosphate (IHP...

- ...L35 (two recently synthesized derivatives of Bzf), and pyridoxal phosphate. Additionally, hemoglobin's affinity for **oxygen** can be modulated through electrostatic interactions with chloride and/or organophosphate anions present in RBCs...
- ...major role in the adaptation of the respiratory properties of hemoglobin to either allometric-dependent **oxygen** needs or to various hypoxic environments.

- 28 Additionally, protons and carbon dioxide are physiological regulators for the **oxygen** affinity of hemoglobin. The heterotropic allosteric interaction between the non-heme ligands and **oxygen**, collectively called the Bohr effect, facilitates not only the transport of **oxygen** but also the exchange of carbon dioxide. The present invention relates to compositions, and **methods** of use thereof, consisting essentially of a cationic, lipophilic, water-soluble molecule (e.g., a...
- ...related to compounds and compositions thereof which deliver into erythrocytes allosteric modifiers of hemoglobin in vivo. Additionally, the invention is directed to the use of the compounds or compositions thereof that are effective in delivering into erythrocytes allosteric modifiers of hemoglobin, lowering the oxygen affinity state in red blood cell suspensions and whole blood. It is an object of this invention to provides methods for delivering into erythrocytes allosteric modifiers of hemoglobin in whole blood and in vivo, utilizing compounds or compositions thereof that do not lose their effectiveness in the presence of...
- ...site of hemoglobin. These complexes will react with mammalian cells in vitro and/or in **vivo** to deliver their anionic component into the cytoplasm of the cells.

The guanidinium group of...a compound of the present invention is formulated for intravenous administration. In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject a compound or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing ischernia a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing ischemia a...

...or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing cardiac arrhythmia a compound or composition of the present invention. In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises

the step of administering to a subject experiencing cardiac arrhythmia...

...or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing a heart attack a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing a heart...

...or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing a stroke a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing a stroke...

- ...composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.
 - 35 In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing **hypoxia** a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject experiencing **hypoxia** a compound or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject afflicted with sickle cell anemia a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject afflicted with sickle...

...or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject suffering from hypotension a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject suffering from hypotension...

...or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject suffering from arteriosclerosis a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject suffering from arteriosclerosis...

...or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject suffering from altitude sickness a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of administering to a subject suffering from altitude...

...or composition of the present invention, wherein said administration is intravenous.

In certain embodiments, the **method** of the present invention comprises the step of adding to mammalian blood a compound or composition of the present invention.

In certain embodiments, the **met**hod of the present invention comprises the step of adding to plasma comprising mammalian erythrocytes a...

- ...Pharmaceutical Coinpositiotis
 In another aspect, the present invention provides pharmaceutically acceptable compositions which comprise a therapeutically -effective amount of one or more of the compounds described above, formulated together with one...
- ...boluses, powders, granules, pastes for application to the tongue; (2) parenteral administration, for example, by **subcutaneous**, intramuscular or intravenous injection as, for example, a sterile solution or suspension; (3) topical application...
- ...or (4) intravaginally or intrarectally, for example, as a pessary, cream or foam.

The phrase "therapeutically -effective amount" as used herein means that amount of a compound, material, or composition comprising a compound of the present invention which is effective for producing some desired ltherapeutic effect in at least a sub-population of cells in an animal at a reasonable...formulations may conveniently be presented in unit dosage form and may be prepared by any methods well known in the art of pharmacy. For example, the amount of active ingredient which...

- ...a single dosage form will generally be that amount of the compound which produces a **therapeutic** effect. Generally, out of one hundred per cent, this amount will range from about I...
- ...70 per cent, most preferably from about IO per cent to about 30 per cent.

Methods of preparing these formulations or compositions include the step of bringing into association a compound...drug, it is desirable to slow the absorption of the drug, e.g., from a subcutaneous or intramuscular injection. This goal may be accomplished by the use of a liquid suspension...

...Intravenous administrations are preferred.

These compounds may be administered to humans and other animals for therapy by any suitable route of administration, including orally, nasally, as by, for example, a spray...pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention, are formulated into pharmaceutically-acceptable dosage forms by conventional methods known to those of skill in the art.

Actual dosage levels of the active ingredients...

- ...to obtain an amount of the active ingredient which is effective to achieve the desired **therapeutic** response for a particular patient, composition, and mode of administration, without being toxic to the...
- ...the pharmaceutical composition at levels lower than that required in order to achieve the desired **therapeutic** effect and gradually increase the dosage until the desired effect is achieved.

In general, a...

...be that amount of the compound which is the lowest dose effective to produce a **therapeutic** effect. Such an effective dose will generally depend upon the factors described above.

If desired ...

... formulation (composition).

In another aspect, the present invention provides pharmaceutically acceptable compositions which comprise a **therapeutically** -effective amount of one or more of the subject compounds, as described above, formulated together...

- ...boluses, powders, granules, pastes for application to the tongue; (2) parenteral administration, for example, by **subcutaneous**, intramuscular or intravenous injection as, for example, a sterile solution or suspension; (3) topical application...
- ...be administered in conjunction with antimicrobial agents such as penicillins, cephalosporins, aminoglycosides and glycopeptides.

Conjunctive therapy, thus includes sequential, simultaneous and separate administration of the active compound in a way that the therapeutical effects of the first administered one is not entirely disappeared when the subsequent is administered.

Administration of the Compounds of the Present Invention Many **techniques** currently exist for delivering drugs or other medicaments to body tissue. These include, among possible...

...directly into the blood stream.

Except for topical or transcutaneous administration, the above drug delivery **systems** tend to be systemic. In other words, administration of the drug is delivered throughout the...

...specific body lumens or passageways (i.e., blood vessels, gastrointestinal tract, urinary tract) and delivering therapeutic agents transmurally to specific subregions of tissue. A double-balloon catheter has been used to administer agents to the area confined by the balloons. A disadvantage of this system is that drugs may be lost through communicating vessels between the balloons. Alternatively, a perforated balloon has been developed to deliver agents directly into the vessel wall. A major disadvantage with both of these systems in certain desired applications is that the drug is delivered radially in all directions.

It...

- ...of pressure to enhance or otherwise control the speed of drug transport. For example, one **metho**d could utilize DMSO as a carrier to transport a fixative or drug through the vessel...
- ...dextrose solution, electrolyte solution, and saline. Generally, the liquids are administered from an intravenous delivery **system** having a container suspended above the patient, with the liquid flowing through a **catheter** hypodermic needle set to the patient.

The administration of liquids intravenously is a valuable and the patient; however, it does not always provide a satisfactory means and

method for administering concomitantly therewith a beneficial agent. Presently, a beneficial agent is often administered intravenously by (1) temporarily removing the intravenous system and halting the flow of liquid, and then intravenously administering the agent to the patient followed by reinserting the intravenous system into the patient; (2) the agent is added to the liquid in the container and...

- ...on a liquid containing agent for intravenously adminstering the liquid containing the agent. While these **techniques** are used, they have some disadvantages. For example, the administration of an agent through repeated **insertion** of a needle leads to unnecessary pain and trauma, they require separate connections for joining...
- ...of these pumps may be mounted externally to the body and are connected to a **catheter** introduced to the body of the patient. Other devices have comprised pump which is mounted **subcutaneously** to the body of the patient and which delivers a drug to the body at...
- ...have comprised a manually operated pump which may be mounted externally to the body or **subcutaneously** in the body of the patient whereby the pump can be activated by the patient...
- ...560 and, 5,085,644, and comprise devices whereby a pumping chamber is connected via **catheter** directly into the body and derives its source of drug from a holding reservoir.

Exemplification...

...at 4 C. 50 mL aliquots of the blood were centrifuged in 50 mL conical tubes (I 500-121 1, USA/Scientific Plastics, Ocala, FL) at 2000 x g for IO...

Claim

- ... wherein said second molecule is a ligand for the allosteric site of hemoglobin.
 - 44 A method of enhancing oxygen delivery to a tissue or organ of a mammal, comprising the step of: administering to said mammal a composition or compound according to claim 1 or I 1.
 - 45 A **method** of enhancing **oxygen** delivery to a tissue or organ of a mammal, comprising the step of administering to...
- ...with a composition or compound according to claim I or I 1. 30 46. A method of treating a mammal afflicted with anemia, coronary infarction, pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure, myocardial infarction, stroke, peripheral vascular disease, intermittent claudication, circulatory shock, hemorrhagic shock, chronic hypoxia, respiratory alkalemia, metabolic alkalosis, sickle cell anemia, reduced lung capacity, gangrene, anaerobic infections, carbon monoxide...
- ...to said mammal a composition or compound according to claim ${\rm I}$ or ${\rm IL}$
 - 47 A method of treating a mammal afflicted with anemia, coronary

infarction, pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure, myocardial infarction, stroke, peripheral vascular disease, intermittent claudication, circulatory shock, hemorrhagic shock, chronic hypoxia, respiratory alkalemia, metabolic alkalosis, sickle cell anemia, reduced lung capacity, gangrene, anaerobic infections, carbon monoxide...

- ...treated with a composition or compound according to claim I or I 1.
 - 48 A **method** of improving the **oxygen** delivering capability of mammalian blood, comprising the step of adding to said mammalian blood a composition or compound according to claim 1 or IL
 - 49 A method of incorporating a therapeutically useful substance into mammalian red blood cells, comprising the step of: treating said mammalian red...
- ...compound according to claim I or 1 1, wherein said composition or compound comprises said therapeutically usefill substance. 52 Figure 1 SummaKy of Certain Experiments Forming IHP-BGTC Complexes I 0...

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING VENTILATORY SUPPORT TO A PATIENT METHODE PERMETTANT DE FOURNIR UNE ASSISTANCE RESPIRATOIRE A UN PATIENT ET APPAREIL CORRESPONDANT

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English Abstract

A ventilatory support system which controls the flow of breathing gas to a patient (1) based on the physiological...

French Abstract

Ce systeme d'assistance respiratoire regulant le debit de melange respiratoire fourni a un patient (1) se...

Detailed Description

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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING VENTILATORY SUPPORT TO A PATIENT CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION This...

...herein by reference

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a ventilatory support system , and more particularly relates to a method and apparatus for providing a controlled flow of breathing gas to a patient based on ... mechanical loads include upper airway obstruction in obstructive sleep apnea, bronchial pulmonary disease, obstruction in asthma and chronic obstructive and reductions in lung or chest wall compliance in diseases involving the pulmonary parenchymal and chest wall . Second, ventilation may be compromised by a failure of neuromuscular mechanisms in patients who may have disorders involving the central nervous **system** or phrenic nerves. Regardless of etiology, each of these disorders is associated with reduced levels...

...central airways, ventilation may fall because less is required to eliminate CO2

Currently, two such methods are utilized clinically to aid CO, washout from the airways. In intubated patients, air is administered either continuously or during expiration by a process known as tracheal gas insufflation (TGI). Alternatively, air can be administered through a thin transtracheal cannula in non-intubated, spontaneously breathing patients. Current evidence suggests that low flow rates up to 5 to 6...

...requirements. For CO2 washout to occur, insufflated air must vent freely to atmosphere. With continuous transtracheal insufflation (TTI), therefore, CO2 washout allows patients to reduce ventilation without increasing CO2

In another...own. Various mechanisms have been developed to augment ventilation with positive pressure devices, including endotracheal tubes, tracheostomy tubes and nasal/oronasal masks. In each example, a tight seal is required between the ventilator and the patient's airway, ... episodes and daytime somnolence. Two general approaches have been utilized to treat this disorder. First, methods have been devised to relieve pharyngeal airflow obstruction. At present, nasal continuous positive airway pressure...nasal mask and maintains pharyngeal patency during sleep

CPAP is most effective when a tight **seal** is maintained between the patient's airway and the nasal mask. U.S. Patent Nos...

...side effects CPAP is often not well tolerated, and many patients do not adhere to **therapy** because the tightly applied nasal mask causes claustrophobia (Kribbs et al., Am. Rev. Respir. Dis., Vol. 147, 1993). The present invention, however, does not require such a tight **seal**. Rather than relieving upper airway obstruction as nasal CPAP, it works in concert with the...high morbidity, tracheostomy is rarely considered by either patients or physicians to be an acceptable **therapeutic** alternative, except when sleep apnea is life-threatening. The present invention avoids these adverse effects...

...and expiration that utilizes the upper airway to coordinate the pattern of airflow

Another proposed method is to provide long-term supplemental oxygen therapy via a thin transtracheal cannula through which a low flow rate of oxygen is delivered intratracheally to patients with lung disease. U.S. Patent Nos. 5,181,509 and 5,090,408 disclose examples of such cannulas. Clinical reports and experience with this type of cannula has shown it to be an effective, well tolerated oxygen delivery method. However, the low flow rate of oxygen is not sufficient to provide satisfactory ventilatory support to patients

U.S. Patent Nos. 5,101,820 and 5,279,288 to Christopher disclose the use of a transtracheal catheter to provide a continuous high flow

rate of oxygencontaining gas to a patient. However, there are disadvantages associated with the continuous delivery of gas prior art

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention provides a ventilatory support system which controls the flow of breathing gas to a patient based on the function of ...after a delay period, or after the tracheal gas pressure falls to predetermined level. The system thus provides a feedback loop using tracheal pressure which reflects a patient's ventilatory and...

...patient constitute an integral part of the breathing circuit. The upper airways serve as a **valve** which controls whether the applied tracheal breathing gas inflates the ...gas to the lungs and facilitates venting of exhaled gas through the upper airways

The **system** of the present invention is useful in treating many different types of clinical disorders. For example, the **system** may be used to treat patients with upper airway obstruction, such as patients suffering from obstructive sleep apnea. The present **system** may be used to treat such patients by maintaining tracheal gas pressure above a critical...disorders, even when upper airway obstruction is absent

In a preferred embodiment, treatment with the **system** of the present invention is associated with alternate opening and with partial or complete closing...

...s tracheal pressure, the upper airway can be either open or closed to atmosphere. The system of the present invention controls the flow of breathing gas that it supplies to the ...state of upper airway patency An object of the present invention is to provide a method for giving interactive ventilatory support to a patient based on the patient's ventilatory requirements...

...the trachea of the patient

Another object of the present invention is to provide a method for supplying breathing gas to a patient including the steps of inserting a catheter into the trachea of a patient, establishing a tracheal gas pressure limit for the patient, measuring gas pressure in the trachea, and controlling the flow of breathing gas through the catheter based on the measured gas pressure in the trachea and the properties of the transtracheally . upper airways. The catheter is preferably inserted A breathing gas flow rate value is preferably established for the patient depending upon the...apparatus for supplying breathing gas to a patient including a source of breathing gas, a catheter in communication with the source of breathing gas, a tracheal pressure sensor for measuring gas ...schematic illustration showing the treatment of an obstructive sleep apnea patient with a ventilatory support system in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention FIGURE 2 is a schematic illustration...invention

FIGURE 10 is a schematic illustration of a gas delivery and tracheal pressure sensing system in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention

FIGURE 11 shows pressure versus airflow for flow through a 20cm long transtracheal cannula (1.5mm ID) and through both the cannula and a 14 foot

length of extension tubing (4 mm ID)

FIGURE 12 shows airflow versus pressure the combination of a catheter and a six foot length extension tubing (4mm ID)

FIGURE 13 shows pressure versus airflow for flow through a 11 cm long transtracheal cannula (4mm ID)

FIGURE 14 is a trace of tracheal pressure (PTRACH), airflow through the nose...in accordance with embodiments of the present invention ${\bf r}$

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS
The **method** and apparatus of the present invention provide breathing gas to a patient based on the...

...kingdom, including mammals such as humans. The term "breathing gas" as used herein means an oxygen -containing gas, such as air, air supplemented with additional oxygen and/or medications, substantially pure oxygen, and the like. The breathing gas may optionally be humidified and/or heated to approximately ...to a predetermined value. In the preferred embodiment, the flow of breathing gas is provided transtracheally to the patient, and is referred to herein as transtracheal insufflation (TTI)

FIGURE 1 schematically illustrates a ventilatory support system used with a ...the patient 1 is provided with an inflow of breathing gas by means of a catheter 3. The catheter 3 includes a distal end 4 which is inserted through an incision 5 in the throat of the patient 1 into the trachea 2. A controller 7 is connected to the catheter 3 for controlling the supply of breathing gas from a breathing gas source 8. A ...controller 7. The pressure sensor 9 is located near the distal end 4 of the catheter 3 or, alternatively, contained within the controller 7 and connected to the trachea 2 by a cannula . As more fully described below, the controller 7 receives signals from the tracheal pressure sensor...

- ...and controls the flow of breathing gas from the breathing gas source 8 through the **catheter** 3 into the trachea 2. While a **transtracheal catheter** 3 is shown in FIGURE 1, and is primarily described herein, it is to be understood that other types of **catheters** may be used in accordance with the present invention, such as **catheters inserted** into the trachea via the upper airway of the patient. The term "trachea" is used...
- ...by the tracheal pressure
 sensor 9, the breathing gas is either: (1) delivered through the
 catheter 3 at the established breathing gas flow rate value VIN when
 tracheal pressure PTRACH is...are associated with
 corresponding changes in PCRITb "
 When air is applied to the trachea via transtracheal insufflation
 catheters, it can either vent through the upper airways or fill the
 lungs. The distribution of...lungs will therefore depend on the
 biomechanical properties of both the upper airways and respiratory
 system. As shown in FIGURE 3, when the upper airways are widely patent,
 nearly all theThus, transtracheal insufflation will either augment CO2
 washout, or
 inflate the lungs, depending on the patency of...
- ...will remain closed until tracheal pressure exceeds PCRIT. When tracheal

pressure is less than PCRIT, transtracheal insufflation will lead to a steady rise in intratracheal pressure PTRACH because air cannot vent through the upper airways (VOUT = 0). This is illustrated...FIGURE 4. This rise in PTRACH will be determined by the compliance of the respiratory system (lungs and chest wall, CRS) and by the volume administered: where VIN. At represents the product of the insufflation ...and the lungs are neither inflating nor deflating. For a given level of VIN, therefore, transtracheal insufflation leads to progressive lung inflation without CO2 washout when PTRACH is less than PCRITD established. When a constant level of transtracheal insufflation is applied, therefore, the resting lung volume will increase by an amount that will...

...properties of the upper airways (PCRIT and Rs)

When PCRIT is negative, the response to transtracheal insufflation is analogous to the condition when PTRACH exceeds PCRIT above. With a negative PCRIT...the upper airways and CO2 washout will occur The influence of a constant rate of transtracheal insufflation in the absence of any spontaneous breathing efforts has been considered above. The foregoing...the central airways. TTI administration during expiration, therefore, helps increase CO2 washout from the respiratory system .From the foregoing, it is evident ...of TTI gas delivery to the lungs during inspiration and CO, washout from the respiratory system during expiration. Such adjustment is accomplished with two settings in accordance with the invention. First...insufflation flow VIN assists the delivery of airflow to the lungs. This pattern of intermittent transtracheal insufflation that is coordinated with active (spontaneous) breathing efforts is referred to herein as active transtracheal insufflation (ATTI). When spontaneous breathing efforts are absent, another type of intermittent flow regimen is...intermittent insufflation in the absence of spontaneous breathing efforts is referred to herein as passive transtracheal insufflation (PTTI) because the respiratory

...the physiologic needs of a particular patient and his or her upper airway properties, the **method** and apparatus of the present invention may function in both continuous and intermittent modes, and... resistance (RS for obstructive sleep apneic patients, RUS for unobstructed non-apneic patients) and respiratory **system** compliance (T = 1/(RS CJ), and the PTRACH asymptotes at the upper airway PCRIT or... pressure limit PL,M, preferably from about 3 to about cmH2O below PLIM Components of **transtracheal** treatment devices in accordance with preferred embodiments of the invention are schematically illustrated in FIGURES 9 and 10. For clarity, two main components of the treatment **system** are a gas delivery **system** and a sensing **system**

The gas delivery system shown in FIGURE 10 is adapted to deliver, e.g., from an air/ 02 source, breathing gas flow rates of from about 4 to about 60 L/min through an extension tube and a transtracheal cannula. The preferred flow device which connects to the transtracheal cannula provides a constant flow at a relatively high pressure head. This pressure head would be required to overcome the high resistance of the relatively small diameter transtracheal cannula, discussed below

below

system is being

passively inflated and deflated

The pressure head required to drive airflow through, e.g., a 20 cm long transtracheal cannula (1.5 mm ID) and through both the cannula and a 14 foot length of extension tubing (4 mm ID) has been examined. The

...pressure-flow relationship when pressure is measured upstream to the 14 foot extension tubing and transtracheal cannula . Trials C and D represent this relationship when pressure is measured just upstream to the transtracheal cannula, neglecting the drop in pressure across the extension tubing. For home use at the bedside...is all that will be Thus, pressure-flow required: relationships for the combination of a catheter and a six foot length of extension tubing system have also been examined. The results appear in FIGURE 12 for airflow versus pressure. As previously noted, the extension tubing is 4mm internal diameter. A commercially available catheter sold Systems and a under the designation SCOOP by Transtracheal commercially available cannula sold under the designation PORTEX by Sims, Inc. were both evaluated. As can be seen required to achieve flow rates of 40-45 L/min through the PORTEX cannula . Such pressure heads only produce approximately 25 L/min through the SCOOP catheter. Therefore, a two-staged approach may be appropriate. For example, with patients who require relatively low flows of less that 25 L/min, a SCOOP-type catheter might suffice, whereas a larger PORTEX-type cannula may be selected to provided the higher flow rates. A larger bore extension tubing would also be helpful since it will allow for flow delivery cannula at a lower pressure head. through the transtracheal Therefore, an extension tubing ...pressures required to generate flows of up to 40 L/min through a 4mm ID transtracheal tube of about 11 cm in length have also been measured and the results are shown in FIGURE 13. These parameters define an exemplary minimum length and maximum diameter of the cannula to get the necessary air into the trachea. Thus the illustrated relationship describes the minimum...of providing, e.g., between 4 and 60 L/min through the extension tubing and transtracheal cannula and to that end should preferably be capable of generating pressure up to about 1,500 cmH2O. Depending on the size of the

In hypoxemic patients, it may be desirable to blend supplemental oxygen into the gas stream, and the gas supply system can be suitably adapted to provide for selective, controlled oxygen blending in to the air delivered to the patient. Suitable oxygen blending systems are commercially available, e.g., Bird Oxygen Blender, Ohmeda Blender, and Sensor Technologies, Teledyne, Inc. Also, for purposes of safety and

cannula , the working range will likely be between 100 and 400 cmH20

transtracheal

patient...

...desirable to fully humidify the gas stream to minimize irritation of the airway mucosa. The transtracheal catheter is schematically shown in FIGURE 10. The transtracheal catheter is an elongated flexible tube formed of a bio-compatible material. In accordance with the invention, the proximal end of the catheter preferably has a suitable connector structure for connecting the tube to the air supply, generally by way of an extension tubing that extends from the gas flow generating system to the patient. The distal end of the tube preferably has a plurality of perforations to ensure the free flow of air and is adapted for disposition in the patient's respiratory passage. The tube can have an

inside diameter, for example, of $1.0\ \mathrm{mm}\ (\mathrm{SCOOP})$ or $4.0\ \mathrm{mm}\ (\mathrm{PORTEX})$ for adult patients and about half that for pediatric patients

The tube wall structure and thickness is such as to permit flexure of the tube during insertion into the trachea while resisting permanent deformation, kinking or collapse. The tube may be partly or wholly reinforced to facilitate resistance to undesired collapse and/or may have a relatively soft or compliant tip to avoid injury during insertion or in use. The tube may also be suitably coated or impregnated with a material to facilitate insertion and removal, to promote healing of the insertion site, to avoid infection and/or to maintain patency of the patient's airway and of the inner lumen of the catheter

Various transtracheal catheters are known and one of suitable diameter and length can be selected for incorporation in the gas delivery system of the invention. Exemplary transtracheal catheters and methods for inserting the same are disclosed in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,181,509 and 5,090,408. Nevertheless, some modifications to the conventional transtracheal cannula will advantageously facilitate its adaption to the treatment of sleep apnea in accordance with the invention. First, the cannula can have a slightly larger internal diameter to facilitate gas delivery with lower driving pressure heads, as exemplified by the data shown in FIGURE 12. Second, the cannula should preferably emerge so as to sit relatively flush with the skin. This modification makes the cannula less obtrusive, particularly for people who wish to close their collar. Third, the cannula can be adapted to be removed when not used during the daytime. In that event, a transtracheal button component (not shown in detail) could be inserted to seal the transtracheal hole and prevent its closure. Various button sizes may be provided, depending on the depth of the subcutaneous tissues, and a soft umbrella flange may ...a pressure transducer in the breastbone. The Medtronic product, which is incorporated in their fully implantable hypoglossal nerve

stimulating system, is a flexible silicone umbrella around the end of a cannula. The umbrella compresses when the cannula is inserted through tissue and opens when it reaches a cavity or lumen. When the cannula is removed, the umbrella inverts, and it is possible for the cannula to be removed. Other collapsible and/or selectively anchoring structures are known, e.g, in suprapubic catheters, and could be provided

in accordance with the invention

A pressure release mechanism may be...

...over-inflation and its undesirable consequences

As shown in FIGURE 10, the tracheal pressure sensing system provided in accordance with a preferred embodiment of the invention has two principal components: a...flow generator on and off, to increase flow, or to divert the flow from the cannula

system , as appropriate. A data storage and retrieval system may also be

advantageously ...T, PCRIT, Rs, and PTRACH at VIN level) to provide feedback/data to clinicians monitoring therapy .The tracheal pressure sensor can advantageously be built into the transtracheal cannula. For example, a separate inner cannula can be provided with a port in the trachea. This cannula can then ...the pressure can be transduced

in the trachea by incorporating a piezo sensor in the **transtracheal** portion of the **cannula**. Again, a number of manufacturers produce such sensors for medical/physiologic purposes including Milar, Camtech...

...and optimally in the range of -50 to +50 cmH20

The tracheal pressure signal is **processed** to provide data relevant to monitoring and controlling the efficacy of the gas delivery. Detection...

...sleep including electrocardiograms, electroencephalograms, and submental electromyogram may also be advantageous. Suitable monitors and processing systems for such monitoring and evaluation are known, generally

EXAMPLES

Five tracheostomized patients with obstructive sleep...sleep. In addition, the tracheostomy provided direct access to the trachea for pressure

monitoring and transtracheal insufflation (see below)

In these patients, the tracheostomy was occluded and a thin transtracheal (SCOOP, Transtracheal Systems, Inc., Denver, CO) cannula was inserted through a tracheostomy cap through which transtracheal insufflation was administered at flow rates up to 45 liters/minute. Tracheal pressure was monitored with a stub adaptor inserted into the tracheostomy cap. Pressure in the pleural space (esophagus) outside the lungs (PES) was monitored with a standard esophageal balloon catheter placed perinasally in ...Patterns were developed on a test bed which included a tracheal pressure sensor, computer, solenoid valve and air compressor as illustrated in FIGURE 9. The tracheal pressure PTRACH was monitored and

...liters/minute. Flow from the air compressor was applied either to the patient via a transtracheal cannula or vented directly to atmosphere by the solenoid valve. The solenoid was controlled by a ...respiratory responses were assessed during periods of time as the flow rate through the tracheal cannula was varied randomly at levels of 0, 5.0, 7.5, 10.0, 12.5...rates of up to 40 or 50 L/min may be required to optimize the therapy in some patients with high ventilatory requirements, while many patients may be well treated with...20 cmH2O

From these observations, it is apparent that it should be possible to optimize therapeutic responses by monitoring the tracheal pressure signal. To treat apneic patients initially, higher flow rates are warranted. On the other hand, it is possible to prevent the development of excessively intratracheal high pressure with, for example, a tracheal pressure feedback circuit. This control feature is highly desirable to maximize therapeutic efficacy by reducing the number of glottic apneas, and to maximize safety by preventing pneurnothoraces... and summarized in FIGURE 29. Standard polysomnography is performed for a patient in whom a transtracheal cannula has been placed. PTRACH and VOUT are also monitored continuously during sleep. PLIM is initialized...nocturnal use by the patient. This protocol is schematically illustrated in FIGURE 29

Once the **therapeutic** VIN and PLIM are established, oxyhemoglobin saturation is preferably monitored. **Supplemental oxygen** will preferably be titrated to maintain oxyhemoglobin saturation over 90

percent. At the conclusion of of inspired **oxygen** utilize during insufflation)

We noticed that we could suppress the patient's own inspiratory efforts...k is 1/T and T is the time constant for emptying of the respiratory system . PTRACHt - PTRACHo e + PCRIT' Our observations in four patients indicate that T is closely approximated...

...Rs b "Cr,. This finding again confirms that the inflation/deflation characteristics of the respiratory system under the PTTI regimen are determined by the passive biomechanical properties of the respiratory system and upper airways

It also ...the lungs through the upper airways despite vigorous inspiratory efforts. By providing a substantially constant transtracheal source of airflow, the lungs can inflate during the patient's spontaneous ...as to meet the patient's flow demand. We have also recognized periods in which transtracheal insufflation suppresses spontaneous inspiratory efforts completely. When this occurs, we have demonstrated the ability to...various modes are provided which support and augment ventilation by permitting lung inflation from the transtracheal air course and lung deflation through the upper airways

As explained hereinabove, the reported data airway is closed, transtracheal insufflation in accordance with the invention will expand the lungs. In patients in whom PcR...

...by providing an inflatable balloon 11 or cuff in the trachea 2 connected to a **catheter** 13 (such as a balloon on the end of a Swan Ganz **catheter**) and selectively inflating the same, as shown in phantom 12, to partially or completely block...be performed to augment ventilation or to statically elevate lung volume and washout CO, during **transtracheal** insufflation in patients with a negative PCR, T, respectively

In the alternative embodiment shown in...to deflate. Thus, intermittent electrical stimulation of the laryngeal adductor muscles can augment ventilation

during transtracheal insufflation in patients with a negative PCRIT

Regardless of the method of decreasing leakage out the upper airways, inflation and deflation of the lungs will proceed...
...respiratory pump muscles, e.g., the diaphragm. This means that the work of breathing during transtracheal insufflation remains zero, as the patient's respiratory muscles need not contract to either inflate is therefore possible to completely unload the respiratory muscles and support/augment ventilation with transtracheal insufflation

While the invention has been described in connection with what is presently considered to with obstructive or restrictive lung disease, chest wall, neuromuscular, and neurologic diseases, and other sleep related breathing disorders. Furthermore, the present system may be used to treat patients under anesthesia, patients requiring full ventilatory support, patients requiring...

Claim
WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. A method of providing interactive ventilatory support to a patient based on the physiological requirements of the patient, the method comprising delivering a controlled flow of breathing gas to the patient based on the gas pressure in the trachea of the patient.
- 2. The method of Claim 1, further comprising delivering the controlled flow of breathing gas transtracheally to the patient.
- 3. The **method** of Claim 1, further comprising: establishing a tracheal gas pressure limit for the patient; establishing...pressure in the trachea of the patient reaches the tracheal gas pressure limit.
- 4. The **method** of Claim 3, further comprising: establishing a critical tracheal gas pressure level of the patient...
- ...establishing the tracheal gas pressure limit above the critical tracheal gas pressure level.
 - 5. The **method** of Claim 3, further comprising resuming the flow of breathing gas after a delay period subsequent to the reduction of the flow of breathing gas.
 - 6. The **method** of Claim 3, further comprising establishing an expiratory target tracheal gas pressure level below the...
- ...in the trachea of the patient reaches the expiratory target tracheal gas pressure.
 - 7. The **method** of Claim 1, further comprising substantially continuously monitoring the gas pressure in the trachea.
 - 8. A method of providing breathing gas to a patient comprising:
 inserting a catheter into the trachea of a patient;
 establishing a tracheal gas pressure limit for ...measuring gas pressure
 in the trachea; and
 controlling flow of the breathing gas through the catheter
 based on the measured gas pressure in the trachea.

 9. The method of Claim 8, further comprising inserting the
 catheter transtracheally into the trachea of the patient.
 - 10. The **method** of Claim 8, further comprising establishing a breathing gas flow rate value for the patient.
 - 11. The method of Claim 10, further comprising establishing the tracheal gas pressure limit and the breathing gas...pressure limit by a predetermined amount if the patient experiences substantial glottic apneas.
 - 12. The 1method of Claim 11, further comprising: initializing the tracheal gas pressure limit at an initial value...about 2 to about 10 cmH2O if the patient experiences substantial glottic apneas.
 - 13. The **method** of Claim 10, wherein the breathing gas flow rate value is substantially constant.
 - 14. The **method** of Claim 10, wherein the breathing gas flow rate value is from about 4 to about 60 liters per minute.

- 15. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising reducing the flow of breathing gas when the measured gas pressure in the trachea reaches the tracheal gas pressure limit.
- 16. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising terminating the flow of breathing gas when the measured gas pressure in the trachea reaches the tracheal gas pressure limit.
- 17. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising: establishing a maximum tracheal gas pressure value for the patient...
- ...measured gas pressure in the trachea reaches the maximum tracheal gas pressure value.
 - 18. The **method** of Claim ...establishing the tracheal gas pressure limit above the critical tracheal gas pressure level.
 - 19. The **method** of Claim 18, wherein the critical tracheal gas pressure level is not less than 5 cmH2O below atmospheric pressure.
 - 20. The **method** of Claim 18, wherein this critical tracheal gas pressure level is below atmospheric pressure.
 - 21. The **method** of Claim 20, further comprising at least partially blocking flow of gas through the upper airway of the patient.
 - 22. The method of Claim 18, wherein the tracheal gas pressure limit ...from 0 to about 30 cmH2O above the critical tracheal gas pressure level
 - 23. The **method** of Claim 18, wherein the tracheal gas pressure limit is from about 5 to about 20 cmH,O above the critical tracheal gas pressure level.
 - 24. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising: reducing the flow of breathing gas when the measured gas...
- ...limit; and subsequently increasing the flow of breathing gas after a delay period.
 - 25. The **method** of Claim 24, wherein the delay period is from about 0.5 to about 10 seconds.
 26. The **method** of Claim 24, further comprising:

terminating the flow of breathing gas when the measured gas...

- ...of breathing gas at a substantially constant flow rate after the delay period.
 - 27. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising: establishing an expiratory target tracheal gas pressure level below the pressure in the trachea reaches the expiratory target tracheal gas pressure level.
 - 28. The **method** of Claim 27, wherein the expiratory target tracheal gas pressure is from about 2 to about 40 cmH2O below the tracheal gas pressure limit.
 - 29. The method of Claim 27, further comprising:

terminating the flow of breathing gas when the measured gas...

- ...gas pressure in the trachea reaches the expiratory target tracheal gas pressure level.
 - 30. The **method** of ...the differential tracheal gas pressure level above the critical tracheal gas pressure level.
 - 31. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising: substantially continuously monitoring the gas pressure in the trachea.
 - 32. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising: storing information corresponding to the measured gas pressure in the trachea.
 - 33. The method of Claim 10, wherein the breathing gas comprises from about 21 to 100 percent oxygen.
 - 34. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising humidifying the breathing gas.
 - 35. The **method** of Claim ...gas to approximately the same temperature as the body temperature of th patient.
 - 36. The **method** of Claim 10, further comprising employing the **method** on a patient suffering from obstructive sleep apnea.
 37. Apparatus for providing breathing gas towherein the breathing gas delivery means comprises a **transtracheal** catheter.
 - 39. The apparatus of Claim 38, wherein transtracheal catheter comprises a proximal end connected to a source of the breathing gas and a distal end for insertion through the trachea of the patient, and the gas pressure measuring means comprises a pressure sensor mounted on the distal end of the catheter.
 - 40. The apparatus of Claim 37, wherein the flow controlling means comprises means for intermittently...Apparatus for providing breathing gas to a patient comprising:
 - a source of breathing gas;
 - a catheter in flow communication with the source of the breathing gas;
 - a tracheal pressure sensor for flow of the breathing gas from the source of breathing gas through the **catheter** based on the measured gas pressure in the trachea.
 - 51. The apparatus of Claim 50, further comprising a **valve** in flow communication with the source of breathing gas and the **catheter**, and operatively coupled to the flow controller for reducing and increasing the flow of the breathing gas through the **catheter**.
 - 52. The apparatus of Claim 50, wherein the **catheter** is a **transtracheal catheter**.

 The apparatus of Claim 50, further comprising a monitor operatively coupled to the tracheal pressure...

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Complications in the use of the subcutaneous tunnelled intratracheal oxygen catheter.

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Descriptors: Intubation , Intratracheal --adverse effects--AE; * Oxygen Inhalation Therapy --instrumentation--IS; Aged; Airway Obstruction --etiology--ET; Equipment Failure; Granuloma, Foreign-Body--etiology--ET; Intubation , Intratracheal --instrumentation--IS; Lung Diseases, Obstructive-- therapy -- TH; Respiratory Sounds--etiology--ET; Subcutaneous Emphysema--etiology--ET; Trachea

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Over a six-year period, 200 patients requiring long-term oxygen therapy for hypoxemic lung disease underwent insertion of the transtracheal catheter and were evaluated for one to seven micro-trach catheter requires no removal for cleaning; it is designed to years. The within the trachea for six months between function undisturbed oxygen delivery and saline instillation replacements. Transtracheal oxygen delivery and saline instillation were instituted immediately after inserting the device. Oxygen administration at a rate of 0.25 to 3 L/min was equivalent to 1...

... had dropped out of the study. Most patients comply with prescribed 24-hour-a-day oxygen use; in keeping with the NOTT study, life expectancy of emphysema patients may therefore be...

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Transtracheal catheter technique for pulmonary rehabilitation.

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technique for pulmonary rehabilitation. Transtracheal catheter

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pulmonary disease patients, In over 100 chronic obstructive continuous oxygen therapy has been provided for up to 4 years using Micro-Trach percutaneous transtracheal catheters less than 2.0 mm in diameter. Successful rehabilitation has been achieved. Advances in technique, and protocols have simplified patient materials, insertion management. Complications occasionally encountered are bleeding, infection, emphysema, increased mucus production, and catheter subcutaneous failure or displacement. Long-term delivery of supplemental oxygen directly into the tracheobronchial tree eliminates the oxygen loss through the oral and nasal orifices that occurs when a nasal cannula is system permits maintenance of therapeutic arterial used. This closed blood levels with improved efficiency, greater comfort, and increased activity. The elimination of nasal irritation and cosmetic objections caused by nasal cannulas increases patient compliance, resulting in uninterrupted 24-hour-a-day oxygen use as indicated. The technique of inserting a transtracheal catheter and postinsertion management are discussed in detail.

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A system of transtracheal oxygen administration has been developed which is more effective for rehabilitating chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) patients than traditional systems for providing continuous oxygen therapy. The procedure involves administering oxygen continuously through a No. 16 intravenous catheter inserted transtracheally. Therapeutic PaO2 levels are attained with an oxygen flow of 0.25 to 1 liter per minute. Transtracheal oxygen administration has numerous advantages over nasal cannula or Venturi mask devices. With this system, the patient requires 3 to 4 times less oxygen; therefore, a 2.7-kg (6-lb) portable tank will last most of one day. Oxygen -enriched air via transtracheal catheter reaches the lungs directly with less respiratory effort. Delivery of oxygen is not impaired by sinusitis, mouth-breathing, displacement of nasal cannula or loss of oxygen into the room. Patients experience an immediate sensation of being able to breathe more easily, begin ambulating the day of the procedure, have improved nutrition and return to many normal activities.

Descriptors: Lung Diseases, Obstructive--rehabilitation--RH; *Respiratory Therapy -- methods --MT; Adult; Aged; Animals; Catheterization; Dogs; Middle Aged; Respiratory Therapy --economics--EC; Respiratory Therapy --instrumentation--IS

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Long-term clinical experience with transtracheal oxygen catheters

Objective: To evaluate and discuss the use of transtracheal oxygen catheters for the treatment of chronic hypoxemia and to discuss the complications associated with the placement and care of these devices. Design...

...a retrospective study at a tertiary medical center and reviewed the pertinent literature. Material and Methods: The medical records of 56 patients who received a transtracheal oxygen catheter between January 1987 and June 1992 at our institution were reviewed for demographic data, diagnosis leading to catheter placement, complications related to catheter use, reason for catheter removal, and duration of use. Follow-up results were established by documentation in the medical...

...or telephone interview. Results: During the study period, 39 men and 17 women received a transtracheal catheter. More than half the patients (52%) had chronic obstructive pulmonary disease. The duration of use of the catheter ranged from 2 days to more than 6 years, and the most frequent cause for removal of the catheter was death. Of the 56 patients, 42 died with the catheter in place, 24 within the first year after placement. Complications ranged from mucous plugging (38% of patients) to pneumothorax (4%), and no patient died of a catheter -related complication. Overall, 55% of patients had their catheter for less than 1 year after placement. Conclusion: In patients with transtracheal catheters , problems related to mucous plugging are common, but severe complications such as pneumothorax and pneumomediastinum are uncommon. Although selection factors that would identify ideal candidates for oxygen therapy have not been established, such a transtracheal catheter is best placed in highly motivated patients who can physically manage the daily care of... MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

*endotracheal intubation; * oxygen therapy catheterization; device; pneumothorax--complication--co; pneumomediastinum--complication--co; lung ventilation; chronic obstructive lung disease-- therapy --th; cannulation; lung minute volume; human; male; female; major clinical study; aged; adult; article 1998

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therapy for respiratory insufficiency oxygen Transtracheal TRANSTRACHEALE SAUERSTOFF-LANGZEITTHERAPIE BEI RESPIRATORISCHER TNSUFFIZIENZ

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therapy for patients under refractory The benefit of long-term oxygen hypoxaemia has been proven. Dealing with side effects due to high oxygen flow rates for sufficient oxygenation we treated four patients via a oxygen catheter . Data are shown. Refractory hypoxaemia transtracheal was successfully treated requiring 50% less oxygen . There were no complications related to the insertion procedure . Increased mucous plugging, while acute bacterial infection was observed, required frequent instillation of 0,5 cc normal saline. All patients experience an improvement in their quality of life with transtracheal MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

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catheter for patients with therapy **by** transtracheal chronic respiratory failure and hypoxia

SONDE TRANSTRACHEALE A DEMEURE POUR ADMINISTRATION D'OXYGENE CHEZ

L'INSUFFISANT RESPIRATOIRE CHRONIQUE HYPOXIQUE

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therapy by transtracheal catheter for patients with chronic respiratory failure and hypoxia

SONDE TRANSTRACHEALE A DEMEURE POUR ADMINISTRATION D'OXYGENE CHEZ L'INSUFFISANT RESPIRATOIRE CHRONIQUE HYPOXIQUE

A new technique for administering oxygen to patients with severe chronic respiratory failure is reported. It consists of introducing a catheter , 2 mm in diameter, into the trachea between the second and third tracheal rings under local anasthesia. The technique was used in a 70-year old patient with severe chronic obstructive lung disease and resulted in significant reduction of dyspnoea, improvement in general condition with a weight gain of 6 kg in 6 months, and a 15 mmHg increase in arterial partial oxygen pressure for the same oxygen flow rate. This technique appears to be indicated for patients with chronic respiratory failure whenever dyspnoea is not adequately reduced by oxygen given through a nasal tube . DRUG DESCRIPTORS:

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A better way to deliver long-term oxygen therapy .

TEXT:

An efficient new method eliminates the nasal cannula and improves the patient's quality of life.

patients may avoid the therapy simply because they don't like the way the nasal cannula looks or because it gets in their way. Worn 24 hours a day, the plastic...

...tracheostomy was the only option available for patients who needed continuous long-term therapy. Now transtracheal oxygenation (TTO sub 2) offers a more comfortable and acceptable alternative.

The advantages of transtracheal 0 sub 2

The principle behind this method is similiar to that of a tracheostomyoxygen is delivered to the lungs through a tube inserted into the trachea. Unlike the large, rigid tracheostomy tube , however, the catheter is small and flexible, and doesn't interfere transtracheal with the cough reflex or speech.

Transtracheal oxygenation has advantages over the nasal cannula, too. Some of the oxygen delivered by cannula escapes through the nose and mouth. Because the catheter bypasses these areas, transtracheal delivery is more efficient: A patient's supplemental oxygen requirement is often-less than half what's needed with a nasal cannula . That not only saves money but also gives the patient greater mobility since portable supplies...

...the mucous membranes. The patient's sense of taste and smell improve, increasing appetite.

system is also less conspicuous than a nasal The transtracheal cannula . The external part of the catheter lies flush with the skin below the collar. A stainless steel beadchain threaded through a...

...as a shoulder bag.

Since there's no tubing around the head and face, the transtracheal method doesn't interfere with eating, shaving, applying makeup, or kissing. With all of these advantages...

...patients are candidates for TTO sub 2

Most patients who need continuous therapy can consider transtracheal oxygenation, but clinicians generally recommend that a patient use the nasal cannula for at least a month before making an informed decision. Cost is a factor. Although...

... Medicare reimbursement is discussed in detail in July's article on the basics of home oxygen therapy, "Good nursing gets COPD patients out of hospitals.") In addition, the patient or a family member must be willing and able to assume responsibility for catheter care.

As for clinical criteria, standard pre- procedure screening includes

a CBC and ABGs to document the need for continuous therapy and provide baseline data for oxygen requirements.

Spirometry findings and chest X-ray eliminate some candidates. Transtracheal oxygenation is also contraindicated for patients with disabling anxiety, acute respiratory failure, or pleural herniation at the proposed insertion site.

Some patients who pass standard screening are still less than ideal candidates because of...

...and skills needed for a smooth transition to TTO sub 2.

Making the switch to transtracheal O sub 2

Inserting the transtracheal catheter is a simple procedure. If it's done as outpatient surgery, however, the patient must make arrangements for the ride home afterward.

All patients must fast for six to eight hours before the $\ \,$ procedure . A sedative is given an hour ahead of time. The patient may also receive a

 $\dots 1.0\%$ lidocaine (Xylocaine), a local anesthetic, is injected into the trachea just before the **procedure** .

Patients with bronchospasm may also receive an aerosol bronchodilator or an injection of atropine. A pulse oximeter and EKG leads are applied, and supplemental oxygen is administered by nasal cannula.

During the **procedure** the patient will either sit in a chair that has a headrest or lie on...

...back with a pillow under his shoulders. The doctor extends the neck and selects the **insertio**n site, which is cleaned with an antimicrobial solution and injected with a local anesthetic.

The next step depends on whether the physician uses a Heimlich Micro-Trach or a SCOOP catheter. The Micro-Trach (designed by Dr. Henry Heimlich, who developed transtracheal oxygenation in 1980) is inserted over a removable needle and guide wire after the physician makes a small puncture wound with the needle.

The SCOOP (Spofford Christopher Oxygen Optimizing Prosthesis, a catheter that was developed by Drs. Bryan Spofford and Kent Christopher) also uses a needle and guide wire, but is longer and larger than the Micro-Trach. Insertion therefore requires a small incision.

No matter which catheter is used the patient has a chest X-ray after the procedure to check position and rule out pneumothorax.

During the first two to three hours after insertion assess the patient frequently for respiratory distress, catheter displacement, and excessive bleeding-indicated by more than a few drops of blood around the insertion site or large amounts of blood-streaked sputum. Monitor ABGs and pulse oximetry readings for...

...of pain, coughing, and hoarseness. Give acetaminophen (Tylenol) as ordered for mild pain at the **catheter** site. Report severe or worsening pain immediately. ...patient that hoarseness will clear as the anesthesia wears off.

The switch from nasal to transtracheal oxygen depends on which catheter is used. Delivery via the Micro-Trach can begin immediately after insertion, but some hospital protocols call for waiting a week to let the wound heal. This decreases the incidence of subcutaneous emphysema-air leaking into the tissues around the catheter site.

A one-week delay is standard with the SCOOP catheter. The preliminary catheter, not designed for oxygen delivery, is left in place for a week until the opening...

...to mature. It's then replaced by the SCOOP 1. Oxygen is administered

through this catheter , which remains in place for six to eight weeks until the tract matures fully. At...

...with the SCOOP 2. You'll find pictures of the Heimlich Micro-Trach and SCOOP catheters and a chart comparing them on page 60.

Going home with TTO sub 2

Potential complications of transtra cheal **catheter insertion** include i fection, bronchospasm, bleeding pneumothorax, respiratory failure: and **subcutaneous** emphysema. Review the signs and symptoms of these problems with the patient before discharge. Give...

 \dots on an index card or in the patient workbook that's provided with the SCOOP catheter .

Warn the patient to call his doctor right away about any of the following: a...

...swelling of the neck or face, increased sputum production, severe pain or bleeding around the **catheter** site, cyanosis of the lips or fingers, or worsening anxiety.

Show the patient how to...

...his temperature orally. He should do this twice a day for a week after the ${\bf procedure}$. A fever of more than 99.50 deg. F (37.5 deg. C) warrants a ...

...for the equipment he'll need at home. When the patient changes from nasal to **transtracheal** oxygen, he'll adjust the flow rate according to pulse oximetry readings. He'll need...

...care visit for ABGs to confirm adequate ventilation and oxygenation. Patients who use the SCOOP **system** will need to schedule at least two visits for **catheter** changes.

The home care provider may have to adjust equipment. A patient may not need...

...MicroTrach can increase resistance to flow. That, in turn, increases pressure in the oxygen regulatory system and activates the release valve on the humidifier. A respiratory therapist can deactivate the valve without affecting oxygen delivery or endangering the patient. Key points in catheter care

The patient will have to learn how to care for the **catheter** and skin around it, He'll clean the area with a cotton swab and water...

...skin creams or ointments unless instructed to do so by the physician.

The steps for **catheter** care are specific for each type. Oxygen flow and the absence of side holes make...

...so, the patient must instill 0.5 to 1ml of sterile normal saline into the **catheter** two or three times a day. The saline stimulates a cough, clearing the lungs of...

...vigorous cough can dislodge the MicroTrach. If that happens, the patient should simply swab the **catheter** with alcohol and reinsert it. If be has trouble repositioning the **catheter**, he should switch to nasal oxygen and call his physician.

SCOOPs are cleaned at least...

...and a special rod. During this phase, mucus can accumulate at the tip of the catheter. Suspect this problem if the patient complains of sudden dyspnea, cough, or wheezing. Removing the catheter over a guide wire and reinserting it will clear the mucus, but this should be attempted only by a

physician, nurse, or respiratory therapist who is familiar with the ${\color{blue} \bf technique}$.

Once the tract is mature and oxygen flow established, the SCOOP 1 and 2 can be changed easily: The patient removes the soiled catheter and inserts a clean one. He washes the dirty catheter with the special cleaning rod and an antibacterial soap and water and stores it in a clean, dry place away from direct sunlight. Caution against changing the catheter more than twice a day-once in the morning and then again at night. Frequent...

...and may also lead to sear tissue formation.

Additional cleanings should be done with the **catheter** in place. Remind the patient that he must replace these **catheters** every three months.

According to Dr. Heimlich, the Micro-Trach is usually changed about every...way they feel and what they can achieve-and that's the greatest accomplishment of transtracheal therapy.

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Rapidly progressive extensive subcutaneous emphysema associated with an implantable intratracheal oxygen catheter.

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1Rapidly progressive extensive subcutaneous **emphysema associated with an** implantable intratracheal **oxygen** catheter.

TEXT:

Localized subcutaneous emphysema is a recognized complication of transtracheal oxygen catheters. It usually occurs in the immediate postoperative period or in association with catheter tip migration. This is a case of rapidly progressive, extensive subcutaneous emphysema apparently resulting from paroxysms of coughing in a patient with a normally functioning implanted intratracheal oxygen catheter several weeks after placement. (CHEST 1998; 113:834-36)

Key words: obstructive lung disease; oxygen inhalation therapy; subcutaneous emphysema

Long-term continuous oxygen therapy improves survival in hypoxemic patients with COPD .(1,2) However, conventional domiciliary oxygen therapy via nasal prongs may limit patient mobility and be uncomfortable or cosmetically unacceptable for some patients. Oxygen concentrators and compressed oxygen cylinders are relatively immobile, and portable liquid oxygen systems may be rapidly exhausted at high flow rates. Transtracheal oxygen catheters overcome many of these limitations.(3-6) oxygen flow requirements of nasal prongs may be decreased by 50% with transtracheal gas delivery. The increased efficiency is presumably due primarily to reduced anatomic dead space and...

...in the neck may be concealed under clothing. Although generally well tolerated, complications include perioperative subcutaneous emphysema, localized wound infection, catheter dislodgement and fracture, and formation of mucus plugs on the catheter tip which may occlude the tracheal lumen. (4,5,7) Implanted intratracheal catheters are cosmetically superior since the device is not visible at the neck, does not require...

...less susceptible, although not immune, to infection, migration, and mucus plug formation.(8-10) Localized subcutaneous emphysema occasionally occurs at the tracheal entrance site within a few days of catheter placement and may be associated with tip migration. This is a report of a case of rapidly progressive and extensive subcutaneous emphysema occurring several weeks after catheter placement and not associated with catheter failure or migration.

CASE REPORT

A 73-year-old woman with previously diagnosed emphysema visited an acute care clinic approximately 1 month after placement of an implanted
intratracheal oxygen catheter ((ITO.sub.2)C; Cook Critical Care;
Bloomington, Ill) complaining of rapidly progressive swelling and intermittent sharp pain in the left anterior area of the chest . An area

approximately 20 cm in diameter visibly enlarged over a period of 30 to...

- ...area, or recent maneuvers likely to be associated with Valsalva or excess traction on the **catheter**. The patient had used this oxygen delivery **system** for the preceding 7 years. Two previous **catheters** had been removed because of persistent infection along the **catheter** tunnel. Her past medical history was significant for prior tobacco use (150 pack-years of...
- ...superior to the suprastemal notch. Crepitus was present over the left anterior segment of the **chest** adjacent to, the sternal border between the left clavicle and breast with extension laterally to...
- ...upper portion of the left arm but was not present in the neck. The oxygen catheter entered the subcutaneous tissue near the inferior costal margin and was palpable adjacent to the left sternal border. There was mild overlying tenderness but no erythema. The chest was hyperresonant to percussion, breath sounds were symmetrically diminished throughout the lung fields, and the...
- ...for a WBC count of $14.2 \times (10.\sup.3)$ cell/(micro)L. A chest radiograph demonstrated extensive subcutaneous emphysema. A limited CT scan (Fig 1) was obtained.

(Figure 1 ILLUSTRATION OMITTED)

Transtracheal oxygen was disconnected, and the patient was admitted for overnight observation with supplemental nasal oxygen. She was discharged the following morning with nearly complete resolution of her symptoms and reduced subcutaneous crepitus. Signs and symptoms suggestive of subcutaneous infection along the catheter subsequently developed, and she received a prolonged course of oral antibiotics for this problem. The patient resumed use of her transtracheal catheter approximately 1 week later. Within 2 weeks, complete resolution of subcutaneous emphysema was demonstrated radiographically.

DISCUSSION

Transtracheal oxygen delivery reduces oxygen use, enhances patient mobility and is cosmetically superior to nasal cannula. Although reports of potentially catastrophic mucus plug formation at the catheter tip have dampened enthusiasm for use in patients with copious mucus production, the devices are otherwise generally well-tolerated. This is a case of rapidly progressive and extensive subcutaneous emphysema associated with an intact and properly positioned implanted intratracheal oxygen catheter occurring approximately 5 weeks after placement. To date, the severity of subcutaneous emphysema experienced by the patient reported here and occurrence beyond the immediate postoperative period have...

- ...that the patient's paroxysm of coughing resulted in extravasation of tracheal gas at the **catheter** entrance wound with subsequent extension along the **catheter** tunnel and into the soft tissues of the **thorax**. Local scarring from the patient's two previous **catheters** may have limited extension of gas into the soft tissues of the neck. There was...
- ...the patient's underlying emphysematous lung disease contributed to this event. Transient migration of the **catheter** tip out of the trachea is unlikely to have occurred. A CT scan demonstrated appropriate **catheter** placement, and the **catheter** was anchored with ...to the anterior tracheal wall. Subsequent use of the device without complication suggests that the **catheter** did not fracture.

This case illustrates several important points in the management of subcutaneous emphysema in ambulatory patients with a transtracheal oxygen catheter. The tracheal catheter should be immediately disconnected from the oxygen supply and substituted with nasal prongs at a

slightly higher flow rate to meet the patient's oxygen requirements. Causes of subcutaneous emphysema unrelated to the catheter should be excluded promptly by taking a medical history, by performing a physical examination, and by carrying out appropriate radiographic studies. A limited CT scan to confirm proper catheter placement in the trachea is a logical next step. Migration of the catheter out of the trachea would require surgical intervention. Pharmacologic cough suppression and the early use of antibiotics would be prudent. A catheter tunnel infection may subsequently develop as in the reported patient and subcutaneous emphysema due to potentially life-threatening infection with gas-forming organisms needs to be considered.

Extensive thoracic subcutaneous emphysema and recurrent catheter tunnel infections are complications unique to transtracheal oxygen catheters with a long subcutaneous section. Similar complications do not occur with transtracheal catheters which exit the skin at the neck, similar to a conventional tracheostomy. Although initially quite alarming to this patient and possibly contributing to her subsequent catheter tunnel infection, the development of extensive subcutaneous emphysema was otherwise a benign and self-limited event. Despite the fact that the patient...

 \dots possible that more aggressive cough suppression may have prevented this episode altogether.

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The effects of transtracheal gas delivery on central inspiratory
neuromuscular drive.

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The effects of transtracheal gas delivery on central inspiratory neuromuscular drive.

TEXT:

Previous studies have shown transtracheal delivery of low-flow oxygen (TTO) decreases inspired minute ventilation (VEINsp) and have postulated that...

...in WOB. We measured resting ventilatory parameters (RVP) and CIND by the mouth occlusion pressure technique (MOP) at different gas flow rates through the catheter in 21 subjects (13 men, 8 women; mean age, 60 [+ or -] 10.6 years) with severe COPD with a mature intratracheal oxygen catheter (ITOC). We also constructed a lung/chest wall analog (LCA) to determine if flow through the catheter would alter pressure changes during inspiration. Inspiratory tidal volume (VTINsp) and minute ventilation (VEINsp) decreased proportionally to the gas flow rate through the catheter. However, with increasing flow through the catheter, PO.1 increased in the LCA, presumably due to the Bernoulli effect. The lack of ...

 \ldots is a decrease in WOB. This effect may be of benefit to patients with servere $\ensuremath{\mathtt{COPD}}$.

Long-term **oxygen therapy** has been reported to reduce mortality in patients with severe chronic obstructive airways disease (**COPD**) and **hypoxemia** .[1,2] Use of a **transtracheal catheter** to deliver such **oxygen therapy** (TTO) has been advocated by some because of lower costs,[3] greater patient compliance,[4...

...decrease in the inspired minute ventilation (VEinsp) proportional to the flow of gas through the **catheter**. It was therefore postulated that the improvement in dyspnea and exercise tolerance seen in patients... ...ventilatory parameters (RVP), and if any such changes are associated with a change in CIND.

METHODS

Subjects

Twenty-one subjects (13 men, 8 women; mean age 60 [+ or -] 10.6 years) with severe COPD in whom an intratracheal oxygen catheter (ITOC) had been previously placed were studied. In three subjects, a modified Hickman catheter had been placed, [7] while in the remainder, a SCOOP catheter [10] was utilized. They were all studied while in clinically stable conditions. Written informed consent...

 \dots 15 min for equilibration, RVP and CIND, as assessed by the mouth occlusion pressure (MOP) **technique**, were measured as described

previously.[11] Each subject sat comfortably breathing via a mouthpiece through a two-way nonrebreathing valve (model 2700, deadspace 102.9 ml, Hans Rudolph, Kansas City, Mo) with an inspiratory occlusion pressure valve setup (series 9300, Hans Rudolph, Kansas City, Mo) attached to the inspiratory limb. The subject...

...model 3813, Hans Rudolph, Kansas City, Mo) was attached to the inspiratory side of the **valve**, and the flow signal from this together with the electronically integrated volume signal were recorded... ...fashion such that the subject could not anticipate closure, the inspiratory side of the nonrebreathing **valve** was completely occluded during expiration so that the next inspiration was occluded at functional residual...

...A minimum of six measurements was made in each subject.

The gas flow through the **catheter** was then adjusted and the above sequence of measurements repeated. The following flow rates were...

...made in each subject at each of the following flow rate: zero flow through the <code>catheter</code> , oxygen at 2, 4, and 6 L/min, and room air at 2, 4, and 6 L/min.

We were concerned that the flow of gas through the **catheter** would in and of itself affect the MOP measurement. We therefore repeated a second set of MOP measurements, but on this occasion, we momentarily occluded the ITOC **catheter** during the expiratory phase of the breath preceding the MOP measurement. As soon as the...

...Rudolph 8313, Hans-Rudolph, Kanas City, Mo) was attached to the expiratory limb of the valve, and the flow signal from this tegether with the electronically integrated volume signal were recorded...
...index of CIND.[12,13] Whether a flow of gas into the trachea changes the system and thereby invalidates the use of MOP has not been previously studied. To further address this issue, we constructed a mechanical analog of the lung, pleural space, and chest wall (LCA), modified from an original description by Chinet[14] (Fig 1). Briefly, a 15-mm internal diameter tube, 15 cm in length, is jointed to allow for insertion of variable resistors. The airway enters the test lung off-center for ...and maximum travel of 12 cm. The top and bottom plates of this cylinder are sealed Plexiglass, with the top plate allowing access for the airway, alveolar pressure measurement, and access...

...entrance into the cavity. The entire lung is encased within a 20-cm Lucite cylinder chest wall . This cylinder is 10 cm in length, is attached to the top plate, and has...

...outer diameter, 5-cm minimum length, with a 10-cm travel. The bottom of the chest wall is sealed with Plexiglass. The space between the lung and chest wall is sealed and tapped to allow measurement as the analog of pleural pressure.

The elastic recoil of...

...bottom plates of the lung. These may be changed to allow the elastance of the **system** to change. The **system** is steadied by a midsupport.

Elastic recoil of the **chest wall** is achieved by sets of counterbalancing springs that connect the **chest wall** plate with the top plate, and a separate set that connects the **chest wall** plate to the stand plate. These are also interchangeable and are of variable length to allow modification of the **chest wall** compliance.

We placed a catheter into this model at the point marked Paw Tap in Figure 1, to simulate the...

...pleural space to simulate "active" inspiration. Expiration was allowed to occur passively. Using the same **techniques** described above, we were then able to measure PO.1 during inspiration from FRC, in the airways during different gas flow rates through our ITOC **catheter**.

Statistical Analysis

Differences in each parameter of RVP and MOp, at different ITOC flows rates...

- ...or -] 2.8 percent. an oxygen flow of as little as $2L/\min$ through the **catheter**, there was a significant increase to 95.9 [+ or -] 2.9 percent (p[less than...
- \dots in PO. 1 or dP/dtmax was noted. During flow of room air through the **catheter**, the results were similar in that the only significant change noted was a fall in...
- ...satistical difference between the MOP measurements made during breif interruption of gas flow through the **catheter** with those obtained during uninterrupted flow (p[greater than]0.08).

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Expiratory...

...and VE (VEexo - VEinsp) increased significantly with increasing flow rates of room air through the **catheter** (p<0.003) (Table 3). Similar results were found during oxygen flow.

Lidocaine

At each...

...after instillation of lidocaine through the ITOC.

Luna Model

P0.1 measurements obtained at different catheter flow rates in LCA are shown in Table 4. In this series, a pressure of...

...SaO.sub.2]

Table 4--P0.1 (cm [H.sub.2]0) Obtained at Different Catheter Flow Rates on the Lung/ Chest Wall Analog (LCA), Using a Pressure of - 10 cm [H.sub.2]0 in the Pleural...were not able to directly show that CIND falls with increasing flow rates through the catheter. However, from our LCA, it would appear that MOP should in fact rise with increasing...

- ...to be the effect of the Bernoulli's principle. This law of fluid movement in **tubes** states that at any point in a **tube** through which liquid is flowing, the sum of all of the energies, (pressure, potential, and...
- ...describes this relationship: p + hdg + [1/2dv.sup.2] = k p = pressurem h = height of system , d = density, g = gravity, v = velocity, k = constant.

We postulate that the insertion of gas into a constant volume system caused d to increase (functional residual capacity did not change in the model by scalar...

...if g, h, and v remain the same. Since v was constant in the modeling system , p must decrease, and therefore be measured as a more megative (ie, larger) MOP.

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 \dots flow. Longer studies with direct measurement of WOB appear to be warranted.

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Clinical experience and physiologic results with an implantable intratracheal oxygen catheter.

TEXT:

Ten patients with chronic lung disease received an implanted ITOC. Seven patients continue to use their catheters after a mean period of 14.75 months. Four catheters were removed, 2 at 1 month, 1 after 10 months and 1 after 13 months. One patient requested a second catheter. Three patients experienced mucus plug formation; this was transient in two patients, but led to removal of the 1catheter in the third. To determine the degree of oxygen-saving afforded by the ITOC, [SaO...

...at rest and during exercise for eight of the ten subjects using a double-blind **technique**. The calculated oxygen savings were around 40 percent both at rest and during exercise. The...

...to produce a useful saving of oxygen which is of benefit to patients using portable systems and those who require high oxygen flow rates.

Domiciliary oxygen is usually administered via a face mask or nasal cannulae, but transtracheal delivery has several advantages over these more traditional routes.[1] The major benefit is the...

...the flow rate required to maintain adequate oxygenation. This allows prolonged use of protable oxygen systems and adequate oxygenation of patients who require high flow rates. Studies of percutaneous transtracheal catheters have demonstrated reductions in the flow rate of around 50 percent. Other advantages include improved comfort and compliance with treatment. Conventional transtracheal catheters are, however, readily visible and require removal and reinsertion for cleaning. Some transtracheal catheters are liable to produce subcutaneous infection, catheter fracture and displacement, [2] which may make them unattractive to the patient and physician.

This article describes our clinical experience with a tunnelled intratracheal catheter which offers the benefits of transtracheal oxygen delivery with fewer drawbacks than the alternative designs. Our early experience with this catheter was encouraging[3] and has now been extended to ten patients.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Subjects

The patients selected for the **procedure** all had chronic airflow obstruction or restrictive lung disease (Table 1). This was deemed severe enough to require **oxygen** therapy either continuously in order to improve their prognosis[4,5] or intermittently to improve exertional breathlessness. One subject could not safely receive nocturnal oxygen using nasal **cannulae** without unpredictable elevation of her arterial

[PCO.sub.2] because of changes of respiratory route and of **cannula** positioning during the night. The patients were all receiving maximal medical treatment for their respiratory disorders. This was unchanged for at least four weeks prior to **insertion** of the **catheter** and there had been no recent exacerbation of their illness. All patients had a careful...

...the exercise test. Patients 2 and 4 did not undergo any physiologic investigations because their **catheters** had been removed before the investigations were commenced.

The Catheter - Insertion and Postoperative Care

A 43-cm 11-F gauge Silicon catheter was used (Cook Critical Care ITOC catheter).[6] The proximal end of the catheter which lies within the trachea is short and is directed caudally (Fig. 1). The risk...

...A Dacron tissue ingrowth cuff is situated approximately two thirds of the way along the **catheter** to aid fixation in the **subcutaneous** tunnel. The **catheter** exit site is placed conveniently below the costal margin.

The implantation procedures all were performed with the subjects under local anesthesia and additional intravenous sedation. A perioperative antibiotic cover of benzylpenicillin and flucloxacillin was used. [TABULAR DATA OMITTED]

The catheters were flushed four times daily with 2 ml of sterile saline solution followed by 3...

...three weeks until the lower Dacron cuff was fixed in position. Oxygen administration through the **catheter** was delayed for an arbitrary period of five to seven days; early use of the **catheter** is thought to dry the **intratracheal** site and may delay healing and promote the formation of mucus plugs. An attempt was...

...violent coughing during the early postoperative period in order to minimize the risk of cervical **subcutaneous** emphysema. In all patients, the oxygen delivered through the **catheters** was not humidified. Direct traction on the **catheter** should be avoided at all times.

Physiologic Study Method

In both the rest and exercise studies, the subjects had nasal cannulae in position as well as tubing connected to their intratracheal catheters. Oxygen was delivered at varying flow rates in increments of 0.5 or 1 L...

...with an arbitrary additional rest period of 10 min.

RESULTS

Clinical Results and Complications

The **procedure** itself was tolerated well by all of our patients and no significant intraoperative complications occurred...

...patient experienced hemorrhage from the tracheostomy site and hemoptysis was either minimal or absent. The **catheter** was positioned successfully in the trachea in all of our patients, although in one, suturing...

...technical difficulty. The total operative time ranged from 30 to 50 min.

Small areas of subcutaneous emphysema around the tracheal site were noted in three patients in the immediate postoperative period...

...two days. Patients 2 and 9 developed increased dyspnea two to four weeks after the procedure as a result of the formation of a mucus plug around the intratracheal portion of the catheter. We performed bronchoscopy with the rigid bronchoscope on these patients as a rapid and reliably effective method for the removal of the mucus plugs. Patient 2 had been flushing his catheter inadequately and this problem did not recur following correction of the technique. In patient 9, two further

significant mucus plugs developed, causing respiratory embarrassment requiring further bronchoscopy...

...of tracheal stricture.

Patient 4, in whom suture of the tracheal disc was incomplete, developed **subcutaneous** emphysema and mild inflammation around the proximal site three weeks postoperatively. Radiography of the neck and fiberoptic bronchoscopy confirmed that the **catheter** had become displaced in the neck and it was removed through the **subcutaneous** tunnel. Patient 1 developed inflammation of the exit site due to protrusion of the cuff...

...being too low and its displacement through the exit hole by inadvertent traction on the **catheter** before fixation by tissue ingrowth had taken place. The inflammation settled for a period but...

...The ITOC was removed at that time, but at the patient's request, a second catheter was inserted four months later. The catheters of patients 2 and 7 fractured at the distal end adjacent to the oxygen adapter connection 16 and 13 months post-insertion, respectively. In both cases, they were repaired using a simple repair kit. None of the catheters fractured at any other site.

Patient 8 was admitted to the hospital with an infective exacerbation of emphysema three months post- insertion. She developed respiratory failure and needed endotracheal intubation and ventilation for five days. The endotracheal tube was shortened slightly for this purpose and the ITOC continued to function well. She experienced...

...patients continue to use their ITOCs. Patient 6 was able to return to work following insertion of the catheter. Patient 1 has since married. Of the four catheters removed, 2 were at 1 month, 1 at 10 months and 1 at 13 months. Of the 7 catheters in situ at present the mean duration of catheter implantation is 14.75 months (range, 4 to 22 months). The duration of catheter implantation is summarized in Figure 2.

Physiologic Results
Rest study: The [SaO.sub.2] values were...

- ...the lowest value when breathing air and the highest obtained with oxygen delivered through nasal **cannulae** was divided into quartiles. The interpolated flow rates that would achieve the quartile [SaO.sub...
- ...determine the flow rates required to achieve the maximum [SaO.sub.2] reached using nasal **cannulae** only (the fourth quartile point) the mean change at rest was 51 percent (95 percent...
- ...the differing prevention of desaturation during a standardized exercise test with the ITOC and nasal **cannulae**. The savings of oxygen flow rates to maintain the quartile [SaO.sub.2] values were...

...percent).

If the comparison was made at the maximum [SaO.sub.2] maintained using nasal **cannulae** (fourth quartile point), using the end exercise [SaO.sub.2] values, the mean flow rate...

...CI, 31.5 to 40.9 percent). These results are summarized in Figure 4. $$\operatorname{DISCUSSION}$$

Transtracheal delivery of oxygen has several reported advantages compared with use of nasal **cannulae**. It lessens the flow rate required to maintain adequate oxygenation.[7-9] The discomfort of nasal **cannulae** and face masks is removed and the device may improve patient compliance with long periods...

...because of decreased work of breathing resulting from a reduced inspired minute ventilation.[11]

Conventional transtracheal oxygen catheters have a number of drawbacks. Despite being less obtrusive than nasal cannulae or face masks, the visible catheter and insertion site are not cosmetically acceptable to all patients. The catheters are usually fixed with a necklace, but despite this, they may become displaced with a risk of loss of the insertion track.[12] Conventional catheters usually have a long intratracheal portion which is liable to fracture[2,13] or cephalad displacement and which is thought...

...14] and death if unrecognized.[15]

Two recent series clearly have documented the complications of transtracheal oxygen therapy using the SCOOP system. Adamo et al[16] reported a total of 120 complications in 21 patients during a...

...months). In that series many of the complications were not clinically significant but included two catheter misplacements into the mediastinum; ...cast. There were eight episodes of stomal or neck infection in six patients. While cleaning catheters, 8 patients experienced 11 episodes of inability to reinsert catheters into developed tracts and 7 patients experienced dislodgement of catheters on a total of 9 occasions—usually at night—requiring 5 repeat procedures. Two patients developed excessive external stomal granulation tissue. Hoffman et al[17] recently reported a series of 40 patients again using the SCOOP system. Ten (25 percent) of these patients experienced symptomatic mucus balls in the early phase. There were 18 episodes of catheter displacement with 6 lost tracts. Four patients had a probable bacterial cellulitis, one a cephalad displaced catheter and one a severed catheter. Five patients elected to discontinue its use.

The design of the **catheter** used in this study reduces some of these problems. It is cosmetically superior since it...

...skin in the subcostal region and is easily concealed in clothing. The fixation of the **catheter** is secure providing the disc is adequately sutured to the tracheal wall, and the effect...

...tracheal disc, leading to subsequent displacement. In a second patient, early inadvertent traction on the **catheter** displaced the lower Dacron cuff but not the tracheal portion of the **catheter**.

The neck site is closed and the long subcutaneous tunnel minimizes the risk of contamination of the neck wound. The seal provided by the fixation disc prevents infection of the neck from purulent secretions within the trachea. The design of the catheter with a short intratracheal portion is intended to reduce the risk of formation of mucus plugs. This problem has...

...our patients only if there has been a problem with compliance with flushing of the **catheter** following endotracheal **intubation** or as a result of an unusual granulation tissue reaction in the tracheal wall. All ...

...limiting the effectiveness of their cough may have predisposed them to mucus plug formation. The **catheter** is not removed for cleaning and therefore there is no risk of loss of the **insertion** track or of extratracheal placement. Two of the ITOCs fractured, but in both cases it was at the proximal end adjacent to the oxygen connection adapter and not in the **subcutaneous** or **intratracheal** portions.

The reduction of oxygen flow rate requirements using transtracheal catheters arises as a result of at least two mechanisms. First, wastage

around the nose and...

...greatly reduced.

Several authors have documented a range of oxygen savings at rest with percutaneous transtracheal catheters, but there are few accurate data regarding the reduction of flow rate on exercise when such reductions are most useful and no results of savings with a tunnelled catheter.

Heimlich and Carr[13] reported a 57 percent reduction at rest while maintaining therapeutic arterial blood gases. Using nasal cannulae, Leger et al[18] reported a reduction from a mean (SD) of 4.89 (1...

...percent reduction at rest with patients achieving similar exercise times using less oxygen through a **transtracheal catheter**. In a later study, Hoffman et al[17] reported an oxygen flow rate reduction of...

...standardized exercise test. This saving is very similar to the results previously obtained with percutaneous catheters with a long intratracheal section.

There are two main groups of patients who will benefit from the savings afforded...

...require high flow rates to achieve adequate oxygenation at rest will benefit. Using conventional nasal cannulae and an oxygen concentrator, high flow rates may be uncomfortable and poorly tolerated by the patient. Compliance with treatment is vital to achieve the reported benefits of long-term oxygen therapy. Additionally, in a few such patients the oxygen concentrator may not be able to deliver...

...required.

The second group is comprised of those who gain symptomatic benefit from portable oxygen **systems**. Their duration is increased in proportion to the oxygen conservation which, with the tunnelled **intratracheal catheter**, is approximately 40 percent.

Our experience with this group of patients confirms that the ITOC is an efficient and well-tolerated device for giving supplemental oxygen when it cannot be adequately provided by conventional means. An operative procedure is required for its insertion which is not needed for percutaneous transtracheal catheters, but it does not have the drawbacks of dislodgement and misplacement associated with these catheters which require removal, cleaning and replacement. It is, in addition, cosmetically superior. An ITOC, like other transtracheal devices, should only be used when there is a firm indication for this route of...order to comply with the daily care routine.

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